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BEHEADED BY TRAIN.

Christian Harman of Catawissa Steps Off of Car, and is Instantly Killed.

Was To Have Been Married.

That we know not the day nor the hour that we may be called away from life, is a saying that was verified at Rupert at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, when Christian Harman, Jr. of Catawissa, stepped backward off of a car of the work-train on which he was employed, and met instant death.

The train had been moving to and fro in the P. & R. yards at Rupert, and the young man who was a brakeman on the road, was standing at the extreme end of a car, conversing with a fellow workman, when he unthinkingly stepped backward off the car falling directly beneath the wheel, and before the engineer had been made acquainted with what had occurred, two cars passed over him. Death was instantaneous, as his head and one arm were severed, mere shreds connecting them to the body.

The body was picked up, placed in the caboose and removed to the home of his parents at Catawissa, from which place the funeral will occur to-day. He was twenty-two years of age, and is survived by his parents, a brother, Calvin, and sister Mrs. Calvin Fisher, all of Catawissa. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and regular in attendance at its services. The esteem in which he was held is shown by the many kindly expressions that are made by all who knew him.

The accident is one of particular sadness as the unfortunate young man was soon to be married, preparations for which had already been made.

Y. M. C. A's NEW OFFICERS.

That there is to be no relaxation in the coming year's work of the Young Men's Christian Association is proven by the election of officers which was just recently effected. Never before has the Association been so thoroughly organized. The work has all been carefully mapped out, and advance is to be the watch word in every department.

The Young Men's Christian Association is a wonderful agency for good. Its chief object is to help young men on in life, and its success must be apparent to everyone. With the men that have been chosen to conduct the affairs of the local association, there is every reason to believe that even greater strides will be made. The organization is as follows:

President, Prof. C. H. Albert; First Vice President, C. C. Peacock Esq.; Second Vice President, W. L. White; Recording Secretary, A. N. Yost; Treasurer, John W. Lewis General Secretary, U. Grant Morgan; Assistant Secretary, Benjamin Creveling; Board of Directors, O. W. Cherrington, Dr. J. W. Bruner W. L. White, J. L. Wolverton, W. R. Kocher, T. E. Hyde, A. N. Yost, C. C. Peacock, E. B. Tustin Prof. C. H. Albert, W. W. Evans Dr. M. J. Hess, J. I. Harner, E. Woolsey, J. W. Lewis.

The chairmen of the committees are as follows: Executive. C. C. Peacock, Esq.; Finance, E. Woolsey; Religious Work, J. I. Harner; Educational, Dr. G. H. Hemingway; Physical, E. F. Carpenter; Membership, S. R. Bidleman; Building, E. B. Tustin; Reception, R. H. Smoyer.

WORK STOPPED AGAIN.

Vested with authority from the Court, Sheriff Knorr went to Mifflinville on Monday and put a stop to the work on the new river bridge, which was being vigorously pushed. This means that nothing further will be done until the Supreme Court passes upon the matter and hands down its decision. The completion of the bridge is now a matter of conjecture. The order of Court is as follows:

"And now, 11 December, 1903, plaintiff having taken an appeal to the Supreme Court in the above entitled proceeding, and having filed an appeal bond in the sum of five thousand dollars, and bond is approved and it is ordered that said appeal shall be a supersedeas.

R. R. LITTLE, P. J.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

First Week's Business Concluded on Saturday. Several Interesting Cases.

SOME SEVERE SENTENCES.

Commonwealth vs. William Evans. Charge f. and b. This case was tried at a previous term of court and a verdict of guilty returned. Owing to the absence of an important witness however, which apparently weakened the defendant's case, a new trial was granted. A bench warrant for the witness in question was issued and she appeared at this trial, but she had no testimony to give and did not even take the stand. The verdict of the jury, like that of the first trial, was guilty.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Essenhart. This was a case of felonious assault, and was committed on the evening of August 27th last. The testimony of the prosecutor Norman H. Stauffer, was to the effect that on the above mentioned evening, Essenhart appeared at his home, disguised with a face covering and demanded his money, at the same time pointing a gun at him. A hand to hand encounter ensued and Essenhart unmasked and disclosed his identity.

Questioned by the Court the defendant stated that he resided at Shamokin and that he was drunk on the night of the offense. He said that he went to Stauffer the next morning and apologized for what he had done, and that Stauffer promised not to bring any action against him. The gun, he claimed was not loaded.

James Hummel, indicted for stealing chickens from William De Haven of Briarcreek, on the night of Nov. 17th, pleaded guilty. He was questioned by Judge Little, and gave Reading as his birth place. For the past twenty years he has lived in Bloomsburg.

The trespass case of Henrietta Krapp against Harvey Cherrington, which was to have been tried this week, was owing to the present illness of a leading witness, and his consequent probable inability to attend at that time, was postponed, both parties agreeing.

Commonwealth vs. George Lore. Charge cruelty to a horse. The prosecutor in the case was J. W. Wright, a liveryman of Millville. He was the first to take the stand. He told of the defendant coming to his stable on October 8, 1903, and hiring a horse to make a trip to Bloomsburg. The witness was driving the Millville stage at the time. The first he saw Lore after he secured the horse, was between Millville and Bloomsburg. The defendant passed him, driving very fast. He next saw him in Bloomsburg. He had been drinking and was intoxicated. He also saw the mare at Brink's livery stable. She was very warm, and there were ridges on her over a foot long, the result of the merciless whipping given her by Lore. The marks are still on her, and will probably stay there as long as she lives. The mare has never been as good as she was before, the overdriving having practically ruined her.

A number of witnesses saw Lore on the road that morning. Those who gave testimony were Richard Kester, of Berwick, who was in Eyersgrove on the morning in question, Clark Sheep, of Millville, Joseph Bidleman, of Bloomsburg, who met Lore on the road. Harry S. [illegible]maker, of Millville, and Ralph K[illegible]er, of Berwick.

Their evidence was unanimous that Lore's treatment of the mare was wanton and extremely cruel.

Charles Brink, proprietor of a livery stable in Bloomsburg, testified that the mare was very much heated up when brought to his stable. Lore had ordered her to be cared for.

When placed upon the witness stand Lore denied that he had treated the horse cruelly. He was careful, so he said, to cover her with a blanket when standing. He admitted having used the whip at frequent intervals, but it was because the animal was high strung, nervous, and hard to control. He was searchingly cross examined by Judge Herring, but he adhered pretty closely to his story, and his original testimony was practically unshaken. Wm. Fowler bore testimony to the fact that the mare, when he saw her tied in front of Miss Thomas' home was blanketed, corroborating in this particular, Lore's testimony.

Daniel Shultz was present when Wright told Lore that the horse was not hurt.

George Simmons gave evidence similar to that of Shultz, after which the evidence closed.

Argument was made to the jury by John G. Harman for the defense and by District Attorney Duy for the Commonwealth. Both addresses were able, that of the latter being particularly eloquent.

The jury took the case and returned a verdict of guilty.

The grand jury approved the report of viewers, Boyd Trescott, J. M. Ikeler and Joel Trivelpiece, in favor of a bridge over the west branch of little Fishingcreek, near E. Shoemaker's barn in Pine township.

They also approved the report of viewers, Boyd Trescott, Jno. A. Dildine and Eli Ohl, in favor of a bridge over north branch of Chillisquaqe creek in Madison township, near J. M. Girton's.

Tee report of the grand jury was read, and the Court complimented them for the manner in which they had discharged the public business, after which they were discharged.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

To the Honorables, the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Columbia county:

The Grand Inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania inquiring in and for the body of said county, respectfully report:

That we have, pursuant to our required duties, investigated all bills of indictment presented for our consideration, and have passed upon them according to their respective merits. We have also examined the public buildings and find them in good repair. A few repairs that were recommended by the grand jury of September term are being attended to, so they tell us. All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELLIOT ADAMS, Foreman.

The first work of the court Saturday morning was that of passing sentence on those who had pleaded guilty and others who had been found so by the jury.

William Evans, charge f. and b. Usual sentence.

Dr. L. P. Boston. F. and b. Sentenced to pay half the costs of prosecution. The sentence on the prosecutrix Clarissa Evert, was suspended.

Myron Shuman, who pleaded guilty of larceny while clerking at the Berwick Store Co., was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution and a fine of $100.

The sentence to Charles Eisenhart, who pointed a gun at Norman H. Stauffer, was that he pay the costs, a fine of $100 and undergo an imprisonment of nine months in the county jail.

Charles Rick. Larceny of a coat. Pay costs of prosecution and a fine of $50.

For stealing pocket books William Meredith was sentenced to pay costs of prosecution, a fine of $50 and six months in the county jail.

Paul Thiel. Obtaining goods under false pretenses. Sentence, pay costs of prosecution and a fine of $50.

For cruelty to a horse, George Lore must pay costs of prosecution, a fine of $100 and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for three months.

Stitzman and Lundy, who burglarized the D. L. & W. station at Berwick, were sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of $500 each and to undergo three years imprisonment at

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Character of Our Investments.

WE LIMIT Our Investments to Securities of the most Substantial Kind; such Securities as are of Acknowledged Value, and easily Converted into Cash.

The Bloomsburg National Bank

A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT. WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

Useful Christmas Presents

(Here's a few of them.)
Mrs. Potts' Irons, Dover Irons, Bissell Sweepers, Wringers, Nickleware, Carving Sets, Enamel Ware, Pocket Knives and Shears.

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Mechanical Toys, Skates, Sleds and Tool Chests.

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FOR SALE BY

J. G. Wells,

General Hardware,
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

FOUND HER SON.

Mrs. James Barkel who resides just north of Bloomsburg was made glad yesterday when she was informed by 'Squire Jacoby that he had at last succeeded in locating her son William. At the outbreak of the war with Spain, William enlisted in the army. He served until April 1st, 1902, when he was discharged at Fort Yellowstone, Wyoming, but immediately re-enlisted in Troop H for service in the Philippine Islands. Not having heard from him since June last Mrs. Barkel was very much worried and feared that he was dead. She solicited the help of 'Squire Jacoby and he wrote the War Department for information. The reply states that William W. Barkel, Troop H 1st Cavalry was on Oct. 3, 1903 the date of the last report received concerning him, present for duty at Fort Clark, Texas, where he should be addressed.

CHRISTMAS DANCE.

Invitations have been issued for a dance to be given at the Exchange Hotel on Monday evening, December 28th. The music will be furnished by Oppenheim's orchestra of Wilkes-Barre. The committee having the matter in charge are A. W. Duy, E. F. Carpenter, S. H. Harman, John G. Harman, Geo. E. Elwell, of Bloomsburg, and Morrison Oswald of Berwick.

The patronesses are Mrs. F. G. Yorks, Mrs. F. P. Pursel, Mrs. S. B. Arment, Mrs. G. E. Elwell, Mrs. C. W. McKelvy, Mrs. W. M. Reber, Mrs. J. R. Schuyler, Mrs. P. E. Wirt, Mrs. Frank Ikeler, Mrs. R. C. Butler, Mrs. R. Hawley Mrs. N. U. Funk, Mrs. A. Z. Schoch, Mrs. H. A. McKillip, and Mrs. J. L. Dillon.

Engaged for Institute Work.

Miss Mary Albert and Messrs. O. H. Yetter and R. F. Colley left for Uniontown where they are singing at the sessions of the Snyder County teachers institute. They constitute three of a quartette, the other member is Miss Brooks, of Pittsburg. Mr. Yetter has charge of the music. Mrs. Colley and Mrs. Yetter accompanied their husbands. They expect to return on Saturday.

BEN GIDDING

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Come in and see us, we'll treat you right.

Have You Heard About It?

We are giving three (3) Red Star Trading Stamps for ONE.

With every purchase of ten cents (10c) and over we give you stamps.

For a 10 cent purchase	30 cents in stamps.
For a 25 cent purchase	75 cents in stamps.
For a 50 cent purchase	1.50 in stamps.
For a $1.00 purchase	3.00 in stamps.
For a 3.00 purchase	9.00 in stamps.
For a 5.00 purchase	15.00 in stamps.
For a 10.00 purchase	30.00 in stamps.
For a 15.00 purchase	45.00 in stamps.

And so on for any amount you buy.

Our Holiday Line is complete and the finest ever shown.

We have suits, overcoats, hats, neckwear, umbrellas, bath robes, smoking jackets, gloves, hosiery, dress suit cases, trunks and everything in the line of Men's and Boys' Furnishings.

BEN GIDDING,

Corner Main and Center Sts.

Bloomsburg, Penn'a.,

That KEG in Our 4th St., Window.

Have you looked at it?

HAVE YOU GUESSED the NUMBER

of tacks that we have hammered into it. The KEG is in plain sight. Nothing concealed about it.

We even put a mirror at the back so you can see the other side.

$1 used in purchasing goods in our store entitles you to a guess. Dont be too late. The gifts will be given

How Many tacks are Hammered into it?

Have YOU Guessed

Thursday Eve. Dec 24th at 9 o'clock.

Mr. Wm. Hidlay of the Bloomsburg National Bank is custodian of the envelope in which is placed the correct number of tacks

Consider the value of the gifts. There are 5 of them, all desirable articles. Then, how easy it is to get one of the 5 gifts.

Large stock to choose from in every department and every dollar's worth you buy entitles you to a guess.

$1

THE LEADER DEP'T. STORE,

4th and Market Streets,
BLOOMSBURG, PENN'A.

A MOTHER'S LOVE LOYAL

"The Greatest Thing in the World." It Never Fails.

CONTINUOUS SACRIFICE

"The Hand That Rocks the Cradle Rules the World"—Sublimest Acts of Heroism, Patience, Courage and Endurance Performed Under This Guiding Hand.

A few months ago a play was announced, and its mysterious title resulted in endless discussion and conjecture. The name of the play was "The Greatest Thing in the World."

"What can it be?" was asked everywhere. "What is the greatest thing in the world?" New inventions were discussed, great achievements were talked about, and wiseacres decided that it was some great scientific discovery which had taken place or was a possibility of the near future.

And then the play was seen, and some went away more mystified than ever. But the majority knew that the theme of the play—a woman's struggles and sacrifices for her children—the divine mother love, was, and is, the greatest thing in the world! And, strange to say, although none had guessed the right explanation of the title, no one denied the fitness of it, or the truth of this broad assertion.

A man will jestingly repeat the old saying—"The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world"—but deep down in his own heart he knows, and is even willing to acknowledge, that it is true. The greatest deeds of history's pages can be traced almost directly to the hand that rocks the cradle. The sublimest acts of heroism, patience, courage and endurance, have been performed under the leadership of this guiding hand.

But why go back to history's pages? In the poorest and humblest homes, everywhere around and about us, we see the greatest thing in the world, in the very essence of its greatness! From early morn till dewy eve and far into the night the mother cheerfully toils for her little ones. In ways innumerable she denies herself, sacrifices her own comforts and pleasures for the children. In troubles, real or imaginary, with true and unerring instinct, the little one calls for mother. And mother never fails him!

If a man forget his mother, surely heaven will forget him. She has watched him through his various stages of infancy; during his illness, when life has been despaired of, she has hovered over him like a guardian angel; day and night she has nursed him, forgetful of self, thinking only of him, strengthening him with her strength, and over and over again giving him of her very life!

And then the man marries, and she who has given him her life and her deathless love is accorded second place in his affections. Does she then murmur and chafe and allow jealousy to poison her breast? No! Her love is of a divine, unselfish kind. She seeks his happiness, first and foremost. She wants the woman who has usurped her place to be to him all that she has been. This desire is often the keynote of domestic disturbances, and doubtless out of it has arisen the "mother-in-law" feud. There is no love like a mother's love, and her innocent interference is born of her overwhelming desire to secure the comfort and happiness of her child. Not until she is assured of it is she supremely content.

A mother's love and continued sacrifices are, I fear, taken too much as a matter of course to be properly appreciated. Children are not always grateful, dutiful and loving as they should be. For example, I know of a poor, helpless, feeble old woman, who was recently taken to a poorhouse. It was her particular wish to be taken there that she might not be a burden to her son. He was only too glad to comply with her request, for while mother had been able to work she had been a welcome addition to his home; now that she was infirm and ailing and no longer of practical use, he did not wish to be burdened with her.

And yet the deepest dyed villain has a white spot, a tender vein, for his mother. He has his moment of introspection which is invariably followed by self pity, and then he thinks of a lonely grave and wonders what his life would have been had she lived and her guiding hand continued to point upward.

Or, if his mother be alive in a distant land, he thinks of her shattered confidence, her head bowed with shame, but her undying love still hoping and praying for better things, and he cannot help the pangs of remorse that, like huge ocean waves, sweep over him. However, bad he may be the holy word "mother" contains his all of love, reverence, religion.

There is one human sentiment that is and ever will be steadfast and unchangeable as the "Rock of Ages." It is the sweetest, most tender, most abiding of all affections—a mother's love!—New York News.

A Woman's Club Successful.

The Empire Club, of London, a sort of international women's organization, is very successful. It is a sort of general rendezvous or open house, into which visiting ladies from other parts of the world can drop and be sure of renewing old acquaintance with their English friends. It is chiefly haunted by visitors from the British colonies and from the United States. Mrs. Herbert Chamberlain is president and among the prominent members are the Marchioness of Londonderry, the Countess of Jersey and Lady Stanley Clarke.—Exchange.

BLIND BUT KEEN.

Career of a Pennsylvanian Shows His Affliction Did Not Lessen His Business Ability.

Francis B. Kauffman, aged 41, one of the most expert blind business men in eastern Pennsylvania, has just died at his home at Leesport, Pa.

He lost his sight 20 years ago in a stone quarry explosion. Then he went into the lime-burning and cattle business.

As a cattle buyer he had no superior. In buying oxen he ran his hands over the animals and with remarkable dexterity and good judgment could select 25 head from a big drove and secure some of the very best in the lot.

When out on a collecting tour he frequently brought in very large sums of money. Each batch of money he collected he kept separate. To his partner at home he handed the receipts, batch by batch, and asked how much was in that package.

When told the amount he would promptly say: "Mr. —— paid that," or "That is from Mr. ——." He was always correct. He could make change in silver coins, but necessarily for the paper money denominations he had to rely on the statements made by his customers.

He knew lime by the feel of it, and was as successful at that branch of his business as at cattle buying.

ALARM CLOCK LIFTS PILLOW.

Unique Mechanism Contrived for the Convenience of People Deaf and Dumb.

W. E. Shaw, of Brookline, Mass., gave an "electrical party" recently, the feature of which was the exhibition of an electric clock for blind deaf mutes. Mr. Shaw is deaf and dumb and he was assisted in demonstrating the workings of his invention by Tommy Stringer, blind, deaf and dumb, who is making great progress in the sciences.

The clock not only tells the time, but alarms the sleeper by agitating a lever which is connected by a string to a pillow, causing the pillow to move up and down, the vibrations being communicated to the sleeper by a touch. A circuit is closed, by which an electric current is sent through a small incandescent lamp in front of a parabolic mirror, the rays of which are thrown into the face of the sleeper. It releases a spring connected with a hammer, which falls upon a fulminating cap, the loud explosion of which at close quarters is perceptible to a deaf person.

It also gives notice of the entrance of burglars by any of the above methods, by means of connection by a wire with the doors and windows. It gives indication of fire by electric thermostats placed anywhere on the premises.

PELLET IN HIS EYE.

Patient Probably Didn't Know It —Wasn't Hurt in Taking It Out.

William Akey, who lives at Williamstown Station, Mass., had a shot removed from one of his eyes by Dr. J. B. Hull, after it had been there for more than three years. The pellet was removed without much trouble or pain, and the sight has not been injured in the least.

The boy is seven years old, and the shot entered his eye when he was four. He complained a little when he received the injury, but his parents knew nothing of the accident then, and so nothing was done about it. A small air rifle was the cause, the boy having been engaged at play with two others when the stray shot struck him. It pained for the instant, but the eye soon became normal in appearance.

It was not until recently that it was found there was something in it. Dr. Hull was consulted, and he soon found the shot under the eyelid, quite securely lodged, as the membrane had grown about it. The physician says he does not believe the boy knew the shot was in his eye, for, if it had pained him, he does not think William could have stood it uncomplainingly for three years.

BIG TRADE IN ANTIQUITIES.

Italian Government Is Greatly Concerned Over the Clandestine Business.

The Italian government is greatly concerned over the clandestine exportation of statuary and antiquities to England and the United States. Although there is a law inflicting heavy penalties on those who attempt to dispose of antiquities in foreign countries, the trade in these articles continues brisk. Only a few days ago the cable signaled the arrival of a large quantity of statuary in New York and Boston, which is to be set up in the garden of a fashionable dame in Newport. It has come to the knowledge of the authorities that a large association of thieves is robbing many of the museums and monuments of their prized sculptures. Recently Baron Kanzler, secretary of the archaeological commission in Rome, had to denounce to the Roman police the continuous thefts of historical articles from the catacombs. Three persons were arrested the other day while coming from the catacombs of St. Ippolito, to which they had forced an entrance.

Classified.

A man in Louisville had a barrel of snails sent him from Italy recently, but the custom house officials held them up because they could find no duty to levy on snails and it did not seem right to let them in for nothing. It looked, says the New York Tribune, as if the snails would pass the rest of their lives in the custom house, but the man finally offered to pay duty on them as wild animals and the officials let him have them.

BAD COIN MACHINE REFORMS

Counterfeiting Apparatus Has a Varied Career and Ends as a Hitching Post.

In the dooryard of Edwin L. Parker on the shore of Onota lake, Pittsfield Mass., stands an old counterfeiting machine, whose history dates back beyond revolutionary days, when the manufacture of spurious coin was carried on in New York and Philadelphia.

No one has the authentic history of the machine and how long it was used for illegal stamping of spurious coins before it lived down its dark record by many years of honest labor and was finally retired from active operations.

The machine was used by a gang of New York counterfeiters in about 1770 whose operations attracted the attention of government officers. The coinmakers sent the machine to Philadelphia in a load of charcoal. The machine was overtaken by the officers and the gang was taken back to New York, where the plates and dies were destroyed.

During the war of 1812 the machine was shipped to Pittsfield, where Lemuel Pomeroy, who made guns for the government, used it to stamp out the S-shaped plates which went on the stock of the flintlock muskets.

The gun factory burned and the machine fell into the Housatonic river, where it remained some years. Caleb Goodrich then bought the machine and used it for "gumming" the old fashioned up and down saws used in sawing lumber. From there it was taken to the Plunkett mill and was used for a like purpose.

About 30 years ago it was purchased by its present owner, the administrator of Mr. Goodrich's estate. Soon after the circular saw came into use and there was no more use for a "gumming" machine. Since that time the machine has stood in the dooryard of Mr. Parker, where it has been used as a hitching post and as a tether post for young cattle.

AUTO PLOW BEATS HORSES.

Experiment Shows That the Motor Is Both Cheap and Effective.

At the Chislet Agricultural association's annual plowing competition the other day, near Canterbury, England, the Ivel agricultural motor defeated all plows drawn by horses.

The motor hauled a three-furrow plow over the ground with ease and accuracy, and afterward proved that it could plow a field of six acres in eight hours, at a cost of five shillings per acre, thus not only saving time, but doing the work 100 per cent. cheaper than horse-drawn plows.

The motor was also shown to be useful to farmers not only for plowing, but for thrashing, chaff-cutting, reaping, mowing, and, in fact, for all work on which the horse is employed.

"The horse on the farm in the future will be not a necessity, but a curiosity," said Mr. Hoffman, the manager of the Ivel agricultural motor. "Our motor can do everything for the farmer that the horse can do, and it does not want feeding. An occasional drink of petrol is all that it requires."

SILVER DOLLAR IS A PUZZLE.

Boston Bankers Submit Odd Mintage to the Experts of the Subtreasury.

Richardson, Hill & Co., bankers, of Boston, have submitted to the subtreasury experts a silver dollar that puzzles them. Apparently it is a genuine issue of the United States mint, but no one at the subtreasury ever saw a coin like it.

It is the size and weight of the standard silver dollar, and the obverse side, with the head of Liberty, is similar to the face of the present coin. The reverse, however, is unique. Around one arc of the circles is "United States of America," with "Deo Est Gloria" in barely decipherable letters below. In the lower arc of the circle is the designation "One dollar," with the date 1879. The central design of the reverse is what makes the dollar unlike any in circulation. There is a small circle in the center, with these figures: "895.8 S, 4.2 G, 100 C, 25 grams." It probably is one of a series of silver dollars which had been minted, but had not been put in circulation.

DOGS TO SAVE SOLDIERS.

Plan Pursued on St. Bernard in the Alps Proves Successful in a Test in the Italian Army.

The use to which dogs have been put by the monks of the Hospice of St. Bernard, in the Alps, in searching for lost persons and administering most urgent aid, in the shape of cordials and food, has suggested to the Italian army the training of dogs to discover the wounded soldiers and to bring to them the water and stimulants they may need after long exposure in the field.

At the recent maneuvers of the Italian army near Venice several collies, which have been educated by the officers, were tried for the purpose of discovering hidden soldiers lying supposedly wounded in the least accessible points of the field, and wonderful sagacity was displayed by them in searching for the wounded and gently lying beside them in order to offer the cordials they carried in flasks tied around their necks.

A New Intoxicant.

Experiments made in West Virginia demonstrate that if a man eats salt saturated with kerosene he will stagger and see double. If it also makes him shake hands with a lamp post, says the Chicago Tribune, and insist upon singing his own words to "Hiawatha" at midnight. West Virginia will prove a dangerous rival to Kentucky.

TWO YOUNG MINERS.

The Boys Dig Gold in Klondike to Pay for Schooling.

Wash Out $2,000 from the Gravel on Their Claim and Return to States to Get an Education.

On one of the last steamers to leave Alaska before ice shuts in the territory for the long winter night, there returned to the states the two youngest gold miners who ever came out of the frozen north—probably who ever came out of any mining region. They have come back to school, and after school they are going to college on their own earnings.

Even in the boys' stories there are not many youngsters who are the equals of these two for grit, perseverance and shrewdness. One is 16, the other 14. Through their individual efforts they have earned $2,000 between them in the Klondike in the last three years, with the avowed intention of acquiring a better education for themselves than their parents could afford to give them.

The two are the sons of Edward C Heacock, of Grand Forks. Other boys long to go to the gold fields, or the plains, or some other adventurous district. These two saw all of the outskirts of civilization that they had use for, and their longing turned toward college life and good scholarship back in the states, where these things were.

Their parents couldn't afford luxuries of that sort to their children, but the boys lived at home, they were not bothered with schooling, and they received permission to do what they could toward raising an education fund.

The family was at Skaguay then, and it was summer time. The boys gathered berries and sold them. The money they earned they invested in a boat and a site by the river for a lumber yard.

Then they turned their attention to the driftwood in the harbor, gathered that, and sold it. If it was useless for anything but firewood, they sawed and chopped it and sold it at an increased price.

They made $700 in Skaguay in one way or another. Then the family moved up to Dawson. The boys made more money there by collecting lumber from the Yukon and by picking berries and selling them.

When their capital had increased a little they bought a claim on Skookum gulch. All last winter they were sinking holes through the frozen ground, and there weren't any hardier miners in the camp.

They continued their work through the coldest weather, and when the spring came turned their attention to washing out the gold from the gravel they had dug. When they cleaned up this autumn they had $2,000 and their mine still to fall back on. Then they started for the home state they had left as little boys.

They will go to school at Newberg, Ore., and next vacation time will go back to the Klondike to see how they can augment their capital before returning to school. They are probably the youngest mine proprietors under a schoolmaster's care.

MADNESS EPIDEMIC.

Many Members of High Hungarian Nobility Go Violently Insane.

A singular epidemic of madness seems to be making its way among the higher Hungarian nobility and affecting some families of European notoriety.

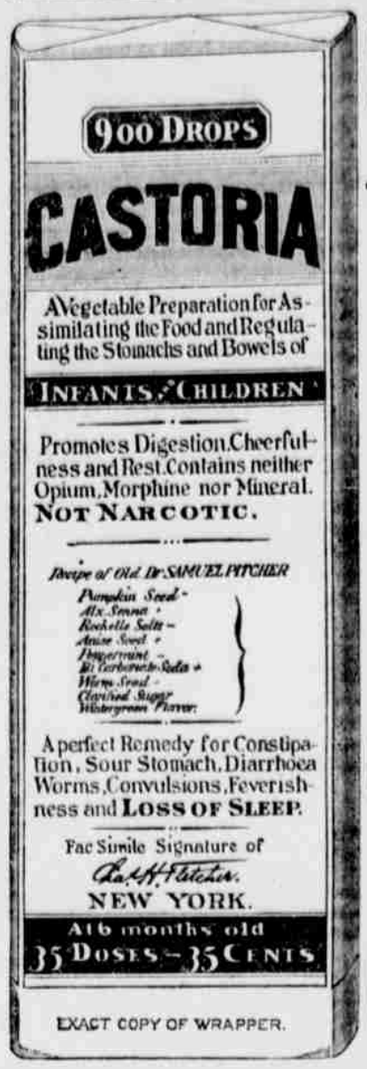
Count George Festetics, the eldest son of Count Tassilo Festetics and Lady Mary Douglas-Hamilton, lately committed suicide in a lunatic asylum by hanging himself. He was only 20 years old.

Another Hungarian magnate, Count Szabo of Arad, the owner of nearly 500,000 acres of land, has had to be confined as a dangerous lunatic. He had lately incurred heavy losses at play, and was laboring under the impression that he could not pay his debts, and that his creditors were pursuing him night and day with red-hot irons to brand him as a swindler.

A third noble, having large estates in Transylvania, Count Estaaby, has fallen a victim to mania, after a wild career of dissipation extending over several years, during which he sold every stick of furniture in his castle and every tree on his extensive estates. Now he regards himself as an incorporation of various Old Testament personages—sometimes Moses, sometimes Abraham, but more frequently Solomon.

Seek to Restore Louvre.

A movement is on foot to restore much of the lost splendor of the Louvre. Recent excavations in the garden on the Rue de Rivoli side show that about a third of the entire palace is underground. The Societe des Vieux de Paris will try to have the ancient moat and drawbridges restored, thus enhancing the majestic appearance of the palaces and contributing to its preservation.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Rye, do	60
Flour per bbl.	4.40 to 4 80
Hay, per ton	18 00
Potatoes, per bushel	75
Turnips, do	40
Tallow, per pound	06
Shoulder, do	10
Bacon, do	16
Vinegar, per qt	05
Dried apples, per pound	07
Cow hides, do	3½
Steer do do	05
Calf skin	80
Sheep pelts	75
Shelled corn, per bushel	75
Corn meal, cwt	2 00
Bran, cwt	1 20
Chop, cwt	1 0
Middlings, cwt	1 40
Chickens, spring, per pound	12½
do do old	10
Turkeys do	18
Geese, do	11
Ducks, do	14
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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Dec. 14, 1903.

Post-office scandals were the subject of the first interesting debate in the Senate since the regular session began. Senator Penrose, republican, introduced a resolution calling upon the Postmaster General to send all the papers of the recent investigations to the Committee on Post-offices and Post Roads, which Comittee would institute a further investigation if it thought necessary. The republicans favored this resolution, but the democrats wished to amend it by making the investigation mandatory by both the Senate and House. Senator Gorman lead the democrats in his first important speech since his return to the Senate. Senator Lodge and others opposed him. Mr. Gorman said, in part, "Sir, the country is not satisfied with what has been done. We not are satisfied with the course of this investigation, thorough as it may have been as to a few individuals. The prominent ones iusist that it is persecution; that they are being made the scape goats of a great avalanche of fraud which has been perpetrated because others higher in authority have been negligent." "We want the facts. We want to open the books. We want the investigation thorough and complete, and then we will see whether the President, with his power, will turn out the inefficient and prosecute all the rascals, and I have no doubt he will. Let us aid him to purify the Department and to prevent these wholesale frauds in the future." Senator Lodge replied by saying that a congressional investigation was the most clumsy one possible, and cited as proof of this assertion, that the Department had been investigated by two congressional committees which had been unable to find anything wrong. Senator Nelson added that the facts which would be made public through such an investigation would help those who are now accused. The democrats will no doubt point out to Mr. Nelson that it is far more important that the public know the true condition of affairs in the Department, than that a few individuals be convicted.

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A ship subsidy bill, calling for discrimination in tonnage taxes and in duties on goods carried by American and foreign vessels, was introduced in the Senate by Senator Lodge, but the bill was labled "by request," which usually means that the Senator who introduces the bill is not especially interested in it. Senator Frye also introduced a bill providing that after July 1, 1904, all merchandise and passengers carried between the Philippines and the United States should be transported in ships bearing the American flag. In his annual message, the President recommended that a commission be appointed, consisting of the Secretary of the Navy, the Postmaster General, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, and members of the House and Senate, to investigate and report what legislation is desirable for the developement of our merchant marine. A bill corresponding to this recommendation has already been introduced in the House.

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Consul Davis, American representative in Alexandretta, Asiatic Turkey, has been assaulted by some Turkish soldier, in a dispute arising out of the arrest of an Armenian, who is a naturalized American citizen. In consequence, the consul has left his post for Beirut. The incident is the cause of diplomatic representations at Constantinople, and it is expected that the Turkish government will make an apology. The State Department does not expect any serious trouble over the affair, but it has notified the Navy Department so as to be prepared for an emergency. The State Department has had much trouble with naturalized Armenians, who return to Turkey, as the Turkish government refuses to recognize the right of a Turkish subject to become a citizen of another country. Minister Leishman will make a report on the present affair.

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According to the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, which has just been issued, there will be a deficit of over $23,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, while the surplus for the present fiscal year will be reduced to $14,000,000. He admits that our currency system has just passed through a serious crisis, which could easily have caused general disaster. He admits also that the non-elasticity of the currency is a weakness, but suggests no remedy.

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There has been much discussion here of the many instances in which President Roosevelt has betrayed his exaggerated idea of the powers and duties of the Executive branch of the National government. Criticism of such actions of the President are by no means confined to the democratic party. At the final session of the last Congress, $500,000 was appropriated for the prosecution by the Attorney General of violations of the anti-trust laws. A large portion of this money remains unexpended. Referring to this the President says in his annual message: "I now recommend as a matter of the utmost importance and urgency, the extension of the purpose of this appropriation, so that it may be available, under the direction of the Attorney General and, until used, for the due enforcement of the laws of the United States in general and especially of the civil and criminal laws relating to public lands and the laws relating to postal crimes and offences and the subject of naturalization." In other words, the president asks Congress to turn over several hundred thousand dollars, appropriated for a specific purpose, for the use of the Administration in the general enforcement of the laws. Such an act is a violation of the spirit of the Constitution and of express provisions of the statutes, which declare that all appropriations shall be made for his specific purposes. In another part of his message which deals with Panama, Mr. Roosevelt has shown himself to be the arbitrary interpreter of acts of Congress. The last Congress instructed the President to negotiate a treaty with Colombia for the Panama canal. Such negotiations failed, and after the resolution in Panama, the President held that the orders of Congress did not refer particularly to the government of Colombia, but to any government which might thereafter get possession of the canal. Such an interpretation was enforced, showed a lack of appreciations of the powers of Congress and established a bad precedent. In the matter of recess appointments the President made another arbitrary decision. The extra session of Congress ended at noon last Monday. The regular session began at once. The appointments of General Wood, Dr. Crum and others had not been confirmed by the Senate. In order that these men might continue to draw their salary as recess appointments, until the Senate acted upon them, the President held that there was an infinitismal recess bstween the two sessions and sent in the nominations again as recess appointments.

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Seven More Cases Of Smallpox.

Seven more cases of smallpox have been discovered in Centralia. The victims are all members of the Hegerty family. They were at once removed to the pest hospital.

CONFERENCE DATE CHANGED.

Big Gathering of Methodists Postponed to March 23

The date of the next meeting of the Central Pennsylvania conference of Methodist Episcopal church which will convene in Harrisburg has been postponed from March 16 to March 23. The conference will be held in the Fifth Street Methodist Episcopal Church. The presiding elders of the conference have just received word to this effect from Bishop C. C. McCabe.

Pay day in the mining and lumber regions of the conference, which has two districts in these regions, interferes with holding the meeting on the original date, and this is the reason of the change. It happens that the men in these districts are paid off from March 10 to 15, and this last date being but a day prior to the convening of conference it was thought wise to change the date, owing to important collections from these districts. By the change the exchequer of the conference will be increased by several thousand dollars.

Roads Ordered to Consume a year.

State Highway Department Has Been Asked to Build Fifty Miles of Road.

That the people of the State are interested in and desire to have good roads in their respective districts is evidenced by the rapidity with which they have taken advantage of the good road act passed by the last Legislature and applied to the newly-created highway department for aid in the rebuilding of roads. The department thus far has received applications to comply with which it will be kept busy for a year. The number of applications on file is 26 and they ask for the erection of 50 miles of road.

It will keep Highway Commissioner Hunter, Assistant Commissioner Statler and the other attaches of the department hustling to have the roads completed by next winter. The first duty of the Commissioner after an application has been filed is to inspect the road which is to be improved in order to ascertain the best method of procedure and estimate the cost of the work. Next plans and specifications of the proposed road are drawn and bids received for its construction. These duties together with the superintending of the work of building the roads, will consume at least a year of the time of the department.

The work is now being rushed as rapidly as possible. Commissioner Hunter and Assistant Statler have been inspecting the roads in counties which sent in the first application and work on the plans is now in progress. It is the intention of the department to do as much of the inside work as possible during the winter so that everything will be in readiness for actual work upon the roads soon as the weather will permit, next spring.

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STATIONS.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Northumberland	‡6 45	10 00	1.50	15 25
Cameron	6 57	.....	‡2 01	15 34
Danville	7 07	10 19	2 11	5 45
Catawissa	7 21	10 32	2 23	5 56
Rupert	7 26	10 37	2 29	6 01
Bloomsburg	7 33	10 41	2 33	6 05
Espy	7 38	10 48	2 40	6 13
Lime Ridge	7 44	‡10 51	‡2 46	6 20
Willow Grove	‡7 48	.....	‡2 5-	.....
Briarcreek	7 54	.....	‡2 53	‡6 27
Berwick	7 57	.....	2 58	6 34
Beach Haven	8 06	‡11 12	3 08	6 41
Hick's Ferry	8 11	11 17	3 09	‡6 47
Shickshinny	8 22	11 31	3 20	6 59
Hunlock's	8 33	.....	3 31	‡7 09
Nanticoke	8 38	11 44	3 38	7 14
Avondale	8 41	.....	3 42	7 22
Plymouth	8 45	11 52	3 47	7 28
Plymouth Junction	8 47	.....	3 52	.....
Kingston	8 55	11 59	4 00	7 38
Bennett	8 58	.....	4 03	7 42
Forty Fort	9 0	.....	4 07	.....
Wyoming	9 05	12 08	4 12	7 48
West Pittston	9 10	.....	4 17	7 53
Susquehanna Ave	9 13	12 14	4 20	7 56
Pittston	9 19	12 17	4 24	8 01
Duryea	9 23	.....	4 29	8 06
Lackawanna	9 26	.....	4 32	8 10
Taylor	9 32	.....	4 40	8 17
Bellevue	.....	.....	.....	.....
SCRANTON	9 42	12 35	4 50	8 25
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.

WEST.

STATIONS.	A. M	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
SCRANTON	6 35	10 10	1 55	26 35
Bellevue	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 44	10 17	2 03	6 44
Lackawanna	6 50	10 24	2 10	6 50
Duryea	6 53	10 28	2 13	6 53
Pittston	6 57	10 33	2 17	6 58
Susquehanna Ave	6 59	10 37	2 19	7 01
West Pittston	7 02	10 41	2 23	7 05
Wyoming	7 07	10 46	2 27	7 10
Forty Fort	.....	.....	2 31	.....
Bennett	7 14	10 52	2 34	7 17
Kingston	7 20	10 46	2 40	7 24
Plymouth Junction	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plymouth	7 29	11 05	2 49	7 35
Avondale	.....	.....	2 54	7 39
Nanticoke	7 37	11 13	2 58	7 43
Hunlock's	7 43	11 19	3 06	7 49
Shickshinny	7 53	‡11 31	3 2-	‡8 0-
Hick's Ferry	8 03	11 43	3 30	8 11
Beach Haven	8 09	11 48	3 37	8 19
Berwick	8 15	11 54	3 44	8 27
Briarcreek	.....	.....	3 50	8 32
Willow Grove	‡8 24	.....	‡3 54	8 36
Lime Ridge	8 28	12 09	3 58	8 40
Espy	8 34	12 15	4 06	8 46
Bloomsburg	8 40	12 22	4 12	8 53
Rupert	8 45	12 25	4 15	8 57
Catawissa	8 50	12 32	4 22	9 02
Danville	9 05	12 44	4 33	9 15
Cameron	.....	12 57	4 43	9 24
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 30	1 10	4 55	9 35
	A. M.	A. M	A. M.	A. M.

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a.m	a.m.	p m	p.m.	STATIONS.	am	pm	pm	a m
7.10	12.10	6.00	4.5	Bloomsbu'g	9.00	2.37	6.25	6.10
7.06	12.05	5.58	2.10	" P. & R	9.02	2.39	6.27	
7.01	12.02	5.53	2.08	" Main st.	9.08	2.42	6.30	
7.53	11.53	5.42	1.50	Paper Mill	9.15	2.52	6.40	6.37
6.54	11.50	5.39	1.45	..Light St.	9.18	2.55	6.44	6.50
6.40	11.42	5.31	1.30	Orangeville	9.26	3.03	6.53	7.10
6.29	11.33	5.21	1.00	... Forks...	9.36	3.13	7.03	7.35
6.25	11.29	5.17	12.53	...Zaner's..	9.40	3.17	7.07	7.45
6.18	11.21	5.08	12 45	Stillw te	9.48	3.28	7.15	8.00
6.08	11.13	5.00	3.3-	Benton..	9.56	3.33	7.23	8.30
6.04	11.09	4.56	12.10	...Edson's..	10.00	3.37	7.27	8.40
6.02	11.06	4.53	12.05	Cole's Cr'k	10.03	3.40	7.31	8.46
5.53	11.02	4.48	11.53	..Lambach..	10.08	3.45	7.41	9.00
5.43	10.51	4.38	11.45	...Central	10.15	3.52	7.51	9.25
5.40	10.48	4.35	11.30	Jam. City	10.18	3.56	7.55	9.35
am	am	pm	pm		am	pm	pm	am
LEAVE				Corrected to Jan. 30, 1903				ARRIVE

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A. M. 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 9:40, 10:20, 11:00, 11:40.

P. M. 12:20, 1:00, 1:40, 2.20, 3:00, 3:40, 4:20, 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 10:20 and (11:00 Saturday nights only.)

Leaving depart from Berwick one hour from time as given above, commencing at 6:00 a. m.

Leave Bloom for Catawissa A. M. 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 9:40, 10:00, 11:40.

P. M. 12:20, 1:00 1:40, 2:20, 3:00, 3:40, 4:20, 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:00, 7.40, 8:20 9:00 9:40, 10:20 and (11:00 Saturday nights only.

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For Catawissa weekdays 7.27, 11:30 a m 12.20, 6.30, p. m.

For Rupert weekdays 7.27, 11.30 a. m. 12:20 3.29, 6.30, p. m.

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Leave Philadelphia 10.21 p. m.

Leave Reading 12.15 p. m.

Leave Pottsville 12.55 p. m.

Leave Tamaqua 1.09 p. m.,

Leave Williamsport weekdays 1.00 a m, 4.30 p. m.

Leave Catawissa weekdays, 6 36, 8.20 a. m. 1.38, 3.31 p.m.

Leave Rupert, weekdays, 6.44, 8.28, 11.40 a m. 1.38, 3.40 6.21 p. m.

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NORTHWARD.

STATIONS.	A. M.	A. M.	P M	P. M.
Sunbury..... leave	‡ 6 45	‡ 9 55	‡ 2 00	‡ 5 25
Kilnes Grove	† 6 54	† 10 04	.....	† 5 35
Wolverton	† 6 58	† 10 06	† 2 10	† 5 37
Kipps Run	† 7 06	† 10 11	.....	† 5 44
South Danville	7 11	10 17	2 21	5 50
Danville				
Boyd	† 7 16	† 10 21	† 2 25	† 5 53
Roaring Creek	† 7 23	† 10 28	† 2 31	† 6 01
Catawissa..... Arrive	7 32	10 35	2 36	6 08
Catawissa..... Leave	‡ 7 33	‡ 10 35	‡ 2 36	‡ 6 08
East Bloomsburg	7 37	10 43	2 43	6 15
Bloomsburg				
Espy Ferry	† 7 42	† 10 47	.....	† 6 19
Stonytown Ferry	† 7 50	† 10 53	.....	† 6 27
Creasy	7 52	10 56	2 55	6 30
Nescopeck....Arrive	8 02	11 05	3 05	6 40
Berwick				
Nescopeck..... Leave	‡ 8 02	‡ 11 05	‡ 3 05	‡ 6 40
Wapwallopen	8 19	11 20	3 20	6 52
Pond Hill	† 8 25	† 11 25	† 3 25	† 6 56
Moncanaqua				
Sickshinny	8 31	11 32	3 30	7 01
Retreat	8 43	11 42	3 40	7 10
Nanticoke	8 54	11 54	3 49	7 19
Buttonwood	† 9 00	† 12 00	† 3 55	† 7 25
Plymouth Ferry	† 9 02	† 12 02	† 3 57	† 7 28
South Wilkesbarre	9 06	12 06	4 00	7 30
Hazle Street	9 08	12 08	4 03	7 33
Wilkesbarre ....Arrive	9 10	12 10	4 05	7 35
	A. M.	P. M	P. M.	P. M.

SOUTHWARD.

STATIONS.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Wilkesbarre..... Leave	‡ 7 25	‡ 10 35	‡ 2 45	‡ 6 00
Hazle Street	7 28	10 37	2 47	6 02
South Wilkesbarre	7 30	10 40	2 50	6 05
Plymouth Ferry	† 7 32	† 10 42	† 2 52	† 6 07
Buttonwood	† 7 35	† 10 45	† 2 54	† 6 09
Nanticoke	7 42	10 50	3 01	6 17
Retreat	7 51	10 58	3 10	6 26
Shickshinny	8 01	11 07	3 20	6 37
Mocanaqua				
Pond Hill	† 8 05	† 11 11	† 3 23	† 6 42
Wapwallopen	8 10	11 16	3 31	6 47
Nescopeck..... Arrive	8 18	11 26	3 42	7 00
Berwick				
Nescopeck.... Leave	‡ 8 18	‡ 11 26	‡ 3 42	‡ 7 00
Creasy	8 30	11 36	3 52	7 09
Stonytown Ferry	‡ 8 33	‡ 11 38	‡ 3 54	‡ 7 12
Espy Ferry	8 42	‡ 11 46	‡ 4 02	‡ 7 20
Bloomsburg	8 47	11 50	4 06	7 25
East Bloomsburg				
Catawissa..... Arrive	8 55	11 57	4 13	7 32
Catawissa..... Leave	8 55	11 57	4 13	7 32
Roaring Creek	† 9 04	† 12 05	† 4 19	† 7 39
Boyd	† 9 10	† 12 11	† 4 26	† 7 46
Danville	9 14	12 15	4 31	7 51
South Danville				
Kipps Run	† 9 19	† 12 20	† 4 35	† 7 56
Wolverton	† 9 25	† 12 28	† 4 42	† 8 03
Kilnes Grove	† 9 27	† 12 30	† 4 45	† 8 16
Sunbury..... Arrive	‡ 9 35	‡ 12 40	‡ 4 55	‡ 8 15
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

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GOOD ROADS.

State Grange Convention.—Address by Hon. D. L. Rhone. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., December 8, 1903.

This is not the time or place for extended remarks upon any subject, but for your information I will say that perhaps the most important matter for your consideration is that of good roads. Tons and carloads of literature have been written on the necessity and desirability of good roads, demonstrating that you can't build a good macadam road with clay and sand any more than you can make a silk purse out of a cow's ear. The only question now remaining is, who shall pay for them. In 1894 I delivered an address upon the subject in this city to a convention of county commissioners, who adopted my idea, and it was afterwards approved by the State Bicycle Association, and by the State Grangers, and that culminated in the act of 1895, under which our county has built and paid for many miles of roads in this county, and we have now a short section about completed at the expense of the county, known here as the Dallas road, and no doubt you will be pleased to go and see it. We think it a fair specimen of the roads which are to be built under the act of 1903, popularly known as the Sproul bill.

The dominant thought in the act of 1895, and one that has dominated my mind ever since is this, that the thoroughfares or highways contemplated by the act of 1903 are not township roads at all, therefore, the townships ought not to be required to contribute any thing towards the cost of them. The highways or thoroughfares contemplated by the Sproul bill are those which will be found in the laps and folds of the mountains behind which lie many townships on the borders of adjacent counties, or they will be found to be the leading lines of road through the rich, fat, river bottom lands, and the rich and populous mining and manufacturing districts, or in townships where there are found suburban residences. What I conceive to be township roads are the cross roads of the township, the byways of the townships, and those lines which lead to and from the farmers' houses to the farm villages. Those the townships always have and must continue to improve and keep in repair at their own expense. But, I repeat, that highways, leading thoroughfares and main lines running through the laps and folds of the mountain to the various railroad stations and those running along the centres of the river valleys, are not township roads,—they are first county roads, and when placed together become State roads. This I consider to be a rock bottom precedent to any progress in the making of good roads. This feature is absent from the Sproul bill. It requires the townships to pay one-sixth of the cost of any section of road. Now, the cost of a road properly built is from six to ten thousand dollars a mile, so that at least cost,—say of six thousand dollars,—the State would pay four thousand dollars, the county one thousand, and the township one thousand. No township outside of the rich suburban villages can afford to pay from one thousand to fifteen hundred dollars a mile for any number of miles, located in the farming districts, and I repeat they ought not to be required to if they could. Under this provision those townships which need State and county aid first will get it last or not at all.

Another reason why townships should be exempt from paying any portion of the cost of improved roads is the inequitable and unjust distribution of the public taxes. Corporate wealth pays five mills on the dollar to the State; wealth loaned out on interest in the various forms pays four mills on the dollar to the State, and no more,—thus, they bear none of the local burdens. Farm lands pay no State tax, it is true, but they bear their full share of all local taxes, which, in this county, and presumably in every other county, are at least three times as much as the taxes on these other forms of wealth. I recently received a card from the tax collector of a township where I purchased a farm for four thousand dollars. He informed me that my taxes were $48.50 for this year. Now, if I had loaned that money on a mortgage, my tax would have been just $16, and no more, and if I had borrowed the money to pay for the farm, or stock it, my tax would have been $48.50 plus $16, or $64.50.

Now, I shall not follow up the question of the unjust levying and collection of taxes any further. That was pursued to its fullest extent by Mr. John Wanamaker some years ago in a campaign document.

The next proposition I make is this, that greater inequalities come from the distribution of taxes than from the collection of them. That is, all the taxes gathered into the State and county funds are distributed in the cities among the "tax eaters" there, and, except a small pro rata share of the school tax paid from the State into the various districts, I cannot now call to mind any expenditure of public moneys in the farming district,—the trend is all the other way.

Prior to 1830 the farmers themselves with ax and grubbing hoe hewed out their highways. About 1830 the State expended a large sum of money in building canals, which was a great blessing to all the people. Those canals have been abondoned because they have been superseded as lines of traffic by the railroads.

The next great public improvement undertaken by the State was the establishment of a common school system in 1854. The people halted, balked, and some of them swore against it, but it has progressed until now it is universally approved as the greatest institution of the land.

Since the inauguration of that magnificent enterprise the State has undertaken at its own expense to provide a grand system of charities, until now every helpless person is furnished a home The deaf, the dumb, the blind, the insane, the idiotic, the criminal, and we are all proud of these institutions; there is uplift about it; there is an outward swing about it that thrills us all when we think of it.

I confidently believe that we are on the eve of an enterprise that will be of still greater blessing in a financial sense than either of those which the State is now so magnificently supporting,—I mean the era of good roads The Spoul bill is aimed in the right direction. It will doubtless need amendments now and then, but we must stand by it, in the main, and as farmers, I would advise you to insist upon its amendment at the present time only in respect to that feature of it which I have already referred to.

It is bound to win, and no one is more interested than the farmer, although everybody will be blessed and benefited, and ten years from now, or twenty-five years from now, we will all wonder that we have so long continued to wade through the dust and mire of our country roads.

Two thousand years ago the people of the provinces of the Roman Empire were in about the condition that our rural districts are now, and they made no headway in any change until they raised the cry that all roads lead to Rome; then they built roads which for a thousand years were the admiration of the world.

So it would be with you; if you can get the State and the counties to assume the building of the roads, and you agree to keep them in repair under the direction of a county superintendent of highways, who should be an engineer and a man of character, you will find that the blessing which will come upon you will be inestimable.

The act of 1903 appropriates six millions and a half of dollars for this purpose, to be expended in the next six years. That, supplemented by the county fund of one-half more, would make in that time ten millions of dollars, and that would build 1,500 miles of first class macadam roads, and nearly all of that money will be poured into the rural districts, which will increase your wealth beyond the dreams of avarice. Go on with this enterprise, and take the magnificent sum which is tendered to you by the State authorities, and the result must be entirely satisfactory.

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DRIFT OF POLITICS IN PENN'A.

State Chairman Penrose Communicating With His Lieutenants.—The Democrats Will Meet in April.

The Republican county leaders of Pennsylvania are being notified by State Chairman Penrose that the Republican state convention will be held in Harrisburg not later than the third Wednesday of April next, so as to have it out of the way before the national convention, which is likely to be held the middle of June. The Democratic state committee will also meet in Harrisburg on the third Wednesday of April to fix the date of the state convention and elect a chairman to succeed Senator James K. P. Hall, of Ridgway, who is again a candidate.

The only nominations to be made by the conventions next year will be for a justice of the Supreme Court to fill the place made vacant by the death of Chief Justice McCollum, which is being temporarily filled by Samuel Gustine Thompson of Philadelphia, Democrat, by appointment of the governor. The only other business of the convention beside adopting the usual platforms will be to elect delegates-at-large to the national convention and approve the sixty-four national delegates chosen by the delegations from congressional districts.

BUY AT HOME.

All the stores are very pretty with their displays of holiday goods, and throngs of Christmas shoppers are busy selecting their gifts. Bloomsburg has stores of which it may well be proud, and there is little need to go away from home to do shopping. Keep the money in Bloomsburg.

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Later in the day on Monday, it was learned that every member of the company had been vaccinated, after taking an antiseptic bath; every bit of their clothing and baggage had been thoroughly fumigated before their arrival at Danville, and under the circumstances it believed that all danger of contagion so far as the other members of the company were concerned had been removed. The company was booked for Danville all this week.

A PRETTY WINDOW.

Since the enlargement of Pursel's store front ample opportunity has been given for decorating the windows. They are always attractive, but just now Mr. John Knies has surpassed himself in arranging the lower window. Great taste has been displayed, and the result is exceedingly attractive. It is trimmed in white silk, and contains a great variety of holiday goods. It is attracting much attention. Mr. Knies took a course of lessons in decorating, in New York last fall, and this in conjunction with a natural talent for that kind of work, has made him an expert at the business.

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The corner stone of the old Presbyterian Church was reached on Wednesday, and in it was found a small tin box. The contents will not be known until the return of Mr. F. G. Yorks the end of this week. The box is at his house.

The meeting of the Town Council held last night appointed W. V. Robbins to collect the 1903 duplicate. Among the other business transacted was the passage of a resolution recognizing the Good Will Fire Company as the fourth fire company of the Town, and assigning the company that position in all future parades and demonstrations.

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Through the kindness of H. J. Clark, the ladies have been given the use of room in his building on Centre Street, where a committee will be on hand to receive donations, Saturday afternoon, December 19, from 2 to 5 o'clock.

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The High School at Stillwater, will receive $164.00 as its share of the special appropriation to High Schools for the year ending June 1st, 1903.

When it gets to be the style to have a new hat on Thanksgiving, the same as on Easter, it will be possible to get people out to church on that day.

"The Fatal Wedding" will be here Monday evening next. It is one of the strongest melo dramatic attractions that is to come our way this season. Regular prices.

A large line of all kinds of books at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The contract for filling the approach to the new river bridge at Mifflinville, has been awarded by the commissioners to C. H. Reimard and he has already commenced the work.

The largest line of crepe paper all colors, in Bloomsburg at Mercer's

The hearing in the case of Chas. F. Harder, of Catawissa, the Alta Idaho Gold & Copper Mining Co., prosecutor, will be heard before Squire Jacoby Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

Not for many years have we had so much cold weather so early in the season. Local merchants say it tends to stimulate the holiday trade, the volume of which is in excess of former years.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

R. S. Bowman's term as postmaster at Berwick expires this month, but he has no opposition and will be re-appointed It strikes us as being strange that there are not a dozen or more after the place.

William Chrisman on Saturday purchased the farm of the late Jacob M. Girton, situate tin Madison township. The farm contains 232 acres, nearly one fourth of which is timbered. The consideration was $2425.

We also have some burnt wood novelties that are both pretty and cheap at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Invitations are out announcing the wedding of George E. Straub to Miss Elizabeth Bomboy. The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's mother at Espy, at seven o'clock, Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th.

W. M. Harder, an attorney, of Des Moines, Iowa, is visiting his parents at Catawissa. He went west five years ago, since which time, that section of the country, he says, has picked up wonderfully. He called on Bloomsburg friends Monday afternoon.

Rush Harrison has succeeded John Harrison as station agent for the B. & S. Railroad Company at Forks.

Eggs are eggs. Down in Boston the grocers who cater to the best people in the Back Bay district are charging 70 cents a dozen for them. Even for common people the price has run up to 60 cents, and the prospect is that the top of the market has not yet been reached.

The New Century Correspondence Schools, WilkesBarre, of which J. K. Miller is the local representative, opened a new branch in Berwick on Monday. It is the purpose of the new branch to reach the children of the foreign populace in Berwick. Mr. Miller assisted in the opening.

We are showing a very fine line of birch bark novelties and trinkets that are made by the Penobscott Indians of Maine. Trimmed with Indian sweet grass that never looses its fragrance. Mercer's Drug and Book tore.

Among the first and early callers at our office Monday morning was Ex-Sheriff John Mowrey, of Kulp, Pa. He has taken advantage of our clubbing offer with the New York *Thrice a week World*, and will be kept posted on the great presidential campaign, upon which we are just entering.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for all kinds of raw furs by F. R. Drake, 440 East 4th St., Bloomsburg Pa. Always home on Saturday. 4t.

Blessed is the poor man. Pickpockets don't bother him, nobody tries to borrow from him, and no one asks him to indorse a note; he is not robbed or harassed by litigations; burglars never invade his premises, and he sleeps in peace; when he dies nobody questions his will or attempts to steal his body.

For Bibles and Testaments both large and small go to Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

A remarkable event in religious circles occurred in Paterson on Thanksgiving day; an occurrence probably unprecedented in this or any other country. It was a union service of Presbyterian and Jewish congregations held in the synagogue of the latter. The Presbyterian clergyman delivered the discourse and the rabbi would have spoken but was called away to attend a funeral. Verily, "the world do move."

Subscribe for THE COLUMBIAN and get the *Farm and Fireside* and a handsome picture free. The regular price of the three is $2.50. We will give them all to you for one dollar. tf.

The order of removal proceedings of Mifflin twp., Columbia county Poor District, against Schuylkill county Poor District, which were heard before John Berger and Guy Jacoby Esq's., have been continued until the twenty-fourth of the month. Mifflin is seeking to remove Harvey Gearhart, a person liable to become chargeable to Schuylkill county. T. J. Vanderslice and Grant Herring Esq's represent Mifflin township. Wm. Chrisman Esq. is looking after Schuylkill county's interests.

DECEMBER 1st TO DECEMBER 15th.

To encourage you to make yourself or some friend a Christmas present of a pair of new eye-glasses or spectacles, I remit my fee for fitting during the month of December. This has been my custom for years. You are invited to call and get prices.

HENRY W. CHAMPLIN, M. D.,
EYE EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SPECIALIST.
Ent Building, Bloomsburg, Pa.

PURELY PERSONAL

Miss Carrie Smith, of Catawissa, has been the guest this week, of Mrs. R. R. Dent.

R. R. Dent, of the firm of Dent & Sharpless, made a business trip up the west Branch this week.

Miss May McHenry of Stillwater attended the meeting of the Wednesday Club last week. She was the guest of Mrs. F. H. Wilson.

C. B. Achenbach, who for many years has resided in the west, principally in Kansas, was the guest of his brother, W. W. Achenbach, last week.

The death of Mrs. Millard Kelchner occurred at her home in Fishingcreek township yesterday afternoon. Internal cancer was the immediate cause of death. She is survived by a husband and three children. The funeral will take place Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

According to a recent ruling of the Civil Service Commission, which affects the district in which Bloomsburg is included, the annual examinations for clerks and carriers is to be abolished, and examinations will be held only when there is a vacancy, or when there is a vacancy about to occur.

There are about 5,000,000 farmers in the United States, and they are the people who pay for keeping up the country roads. The 50,000 automobilists do not pay one dollar out of every thousand expended for the making and repairing of these roads. Whose rights are to be considered first—those of the great multitude or those of the few? Who shall have the right to the middle of the road, the millions who have maintained the public highway from time immemorial or the thousands who have suddenly invaded it with new and strange machines?

There does not appear to be much room for doubt as to the ownership of a precription which a person may take to a drug store to be filled, but in New York recently the ownership had to be settled in court. Of course it was decided in favor of the man who took the prescription to be filled. The court decided that the druggist had no right or title to the prescription, but the druggist only gave it up to escape going to jail for larceny. A similar decision has been made in the case of a photographer's negative. The court decided that the patron who pays the photographer's price owns the negative, a just decision.

Bachelors should be awakened to the touch. Next year is leap year. Forewarned is forearmed. The question is: Will you pop now and get your ultimatum from one of your choice, or wait until January 1 to be popped to and take your chances? Two of the maiden ladies who each vow to get a man this leap year or bust a toga band, are the old girls who always let down their folding bed to look under it in the hope of finding a man there, and the antiquated Nancy, who is credited with saying, "Oh, Lord, anything." If you hesitate and allow yourself to become common prey, one of the archaic specimens may insist on warming her feet against your vertebrae the rest of your natural nights. Thus is repeated the admonition, be warned in time.

Work of Benevolent Society.

The Union Benevolent Association at a meeting decided to receive from the school children of town, in the basement of the Clark building on Centre street next Saturday afternoon from two to five o'clock any clothing, money or provisions that they desire to contribute to charity. This announcement will also be made in the public schools. A special meeting of the association will be held Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Another Case of Small Pox at Berwick.

The alarm occasioned at Berwick last week, by the discovery of a case of small pox within the town limits was increased on Tuesday when it was learned that the dread disease had marked another victim. The second case is that of Lillian Petit, the fifteen year old daughter of Simon Petit, residing on La-Salle Street. The house was immediately quarantined, and everything possible is being done to rid the town of the plague.

GET IT AT GILMORE'S.

Are you looking for toys or games for the little ones? If so visit W. H. Gilmore's Toy Bazaar. You will find there an immense line of goods suitable for Christmas gifts. Never before has he had such an assortment, and you are sure to find just what you want for the little folks. There are Dolls, Wagons, Iron Toys, Dishes, all kinds of Games, Tree Decorations, and a thousand other articles. Every Holiday wish for the little ones can be gratified. The entire third floor is filled with goods and you are invited to call, and look over the line. 3t

The Time is Near

When you will be wished a Merry Chrisimas and you will want to make a gift to some as a remembrance. Clark's offer you now an opportunity of saving 10 cents on every dollar's worth of goods you buy. The goods are right. They're priced as low as equal grades are sold by any and on many lines they are less. You can do your Christmas shopping at Clark's on *Useful Goods* and save money. Useful articles are what most people are giving now. Our stock is complete. Never before have we offered you such good values at Christmas time. We allow 10 per cent. discount on every dollar's worth of goods bought. The entire stock is at your disposal. The reduction of the stock is called by our re-building. Your opportunity to save on your Christmas purchases. Think, 10c on every dollar.

DRESS GOODS.
Our entire stock has been reduced—yet we allow you 10 per cent. What more useful gift than a dress pattern.

LINENS, ALL KINDS.
A nice piece of linen is always acceptable as a Christmas gift. Our stock of table linens, pattern cloths, towels, napkins, lunch cloths, etc., is very complete. All less 10 per cent. discount.

WHITE MATERIALS.
All kinds for all purposes. See the big line of waistings. They make nice gifts.

HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR
Always useful and they make nice gifts. Our stock is complete.

UMBRELLAS.
Full lines—all prices.

KID and GOLF GLOVES.
Full lines—all styles.

COUNTERPANES.
Full lines—all grades—useful gifts.
Colgate's extracts.
Rogers' silverware.

FURS, FURS.
Good reliable furs. The most wanted goods. It pays to buy good furs. Dark blended real mink with real tails and claws at $44.00.
Dark blended Jap mink with real tails, ornament and claws at $20.00.
Sable fox, 2 brush tails $12.00.
All less 10 per cent. with lots of others.

SILKS and SILK WAISTS
A nice silk waist pattern makes a useful gift. Then there is the ready made silk waists. Either one will be acceptable on Christmas morning.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
You never get too many. This stock offers you bigger assortments than ever. Better values than ever. Youshould see them.

RIBBONS and LACES.
Full lines—all kinds—all styles.

LEATHER GOODS.
Pocket books, wrist bags, automobile bags.

SEPARATE SKIRTS.
In wool and silk. They will make a useful gift. See the line.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

TALK NO. 51.

Gifts for the Holidays!

The best of everything for Christmas. Right to the front of all competition we place our elegant new Holiday Stock, the best ever shown in this locality. Popular selections at popular prices are features of this magnificent stock which particularly recommend it to holiday buyers. Fall in line all you people who wish to see a bright and beautiful display of charming Christmas novelties for the season of 1903.

Geo. W. Hess,

OPTICIAN AND JEWELER, BLOOMSBURG, PENNA

Attractive Clubbing Offers for 1904

Arrangements have been made whereby we can offer our subscribers some leading publications at greatly reduced rates. Below are four different offers. Read them over:

FIRST OFFER.

We will give THE COLUMBIAN for one year, regular price $1.00, with the *Farm and Fireside* for one year (two issues each month), regular price 50 cents, and a Peerless Picture (your choice of 24), regular price $1.00 (total value $2.50.)

All THREE For - $1.00

SECOND OFFER.

THE COLUMBIAN, - - - $1.00
"New York World", Thrice-a-week, $1.00
Regular price of both, - - $2.00
We will send the two for one year for - - $1.60

THIRD OFFER.

THE COLUMBIAN, - - - $1.00
"New York Tribune Farmer", - $1.00
Regular price for both, $2.00
We will send the two for one year for - - - $1.25

FOURTH OFFER.

THE COLUMBIAN, - - - $1.00
"The Cosmopolitan Magazine", $1.00
"The Twentieth Century Home", $1.00
Regular price for the three - $3.00
We will send the three publications for one year for $2.00

Address: The Columbian, Bloomsburg, Pa.

The *Farm and Fireside* is a splendid semi-monthly magazine of 24 to 32 good-sized pages, plain print and nicely illustrated.. Read our first offer.

The New York *Thrice-a-Week World* contains six pages every issue, and as its name indicates, comes three times a week. It is too well known to need any introduction. We offer it for a little over half the regular price. See our second offer.

The New York *Tribune Farmer* is an illustrated weekly, and one of the best of its class. It is full of valuable information to tillers of the soil. You can get it through our club for one-fourth its regular price. See third offer.

The *Cosmopolitan Magazine* is known in every home. There are none better and few as good.

The *Twentieth Century Home* is a new magazine published by the Cosmopolitan Company in their beautiful building on the Hudson. It has many new and striking features, and aims at the same high standard as the *Cosmopolitan*. We have made an arrangement by which we are enabled to present you with this valuable publication for one year free. Read our fourth offer.

Where can you get so much good reading matter for so little money? We cannot tell how long we will be able to continue these offers. Don't lose the opportunity, but send in your order now.

All orders must be accompanied with the cash.

Sample copies of these papers will be sent on request. The Magazines can be seen at this office.

CEO. E. ELWELL, Proprietor.

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO TRAVEL for a well established house in a few counties, calling on retail merchants and agents Local territory. Salary $30.00 per week with expenses additional, all payable in cash each week. Money for expenses advanced. Position permanent. Business successful and rushing. Standard House, 330 Dearborn St. Chicago. 11-12 16t

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO CALL ON retail trade and agents for manufacturing house having well established business; local territory; straight salary $20 paid weekly and expense money advanced; previous experience unnecessary; position permanent; business successful. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Superintendent Travelers, 605 Monon Building, Chicago, Ill. 11-19 4t

OF FLOOD AND FIRE

A steamer crossing one of the great lakes in a night of sudden tempest was thrown helpless and at the mercy of wind and wave into the trough of the sea by the breaking of a part of the machinery, and it was feared by the panic-stricken passengers—and with just reason—that the hour of doom approached. They crowded the deck and impeded the action of the crew. They screamed and sobbed and prayed. One man who stood apart from the others prayed silently with a hopeless agony on his face. A friend with him touched him on the shoulder.

"Cheer up, Edgar, we are not lost yet" (he had a sudden contempt for the cowardice of the occasion), "at least let us die—if die we must—like men."

"It is not for myself I fear, Walter, but for Miriam; she is so sensitive, so loyal to those she loves; it would break her heart to have her lover drowned like this on the eve of her wedding. She could never outlive such a tragedy."

"She would not be the only one left to suffer. If we go down all these others perish with us. Think you, they will leave none to mourn their loss?" his friend, Walter Dickson, responded.

"Theirs are not parallel cases. Miriam will be a widow, yet no wife. It will be a cruel disappointment of her plans for our happy lives. Walter, if you alone are saved tell her that she must learn to forget me. Her sweet young life must not be darkened by unhappy memories. Promise me."

Something like a sneer distorted Walter Dickson's face; he said with bitter emphasis:

"You have been blind, Edgar, blind as a mole. With eternity in view I must tell you the truth. Come below with me. If we are to die in this storm I shall ease your soul of its last fear. If we live you can prove the truth of my words."

He led his dazed and distracted friend through the tempest and confusion, dragging him by main force to the uncertain shelter of the deserted cabin, and God alone knows whether his motive was that of a sincere friend or the madness and triumph of a sinister nature. But what he told had at least the awful merit of truth.

On the same night on which the steamer with her precious human freight was tempest-tosed in the midnight blackness of the lake, a young woman was walking the floor of her room, wringing her hands in impotent anguish, as she listened to the storm without. Her face was pale and worn, her eyes glittered with a feverish excitement. Every muscle was tense, and at last the strain became unbearable, and she rushed from her own room and sought that of an older sister, who was sleeping calmly and profoundly.

"Margaret!" she called, and shook the sleeper lightly.

"Miriam! What is it? Not time to rise, surely? Have you not slept?"

"No, no, how could I? Do you not hear the storm? It is awful! I cannot sleep."

The elder sister sat up and scanned the white face bending over her.

"You have not slept, and to-morrow is your wedding day! Miriam, you will look like a ghost."

"Do you hear the storm?" cried Miriam wildly. "If it rages so on land, how much worse it must be on the water, and Edgar is crossing to-night in the face of this storm."

"Miriam," said Margaret, gently, "kneel here and let us say a prayer."

"I have been praying—prayed every minute this night. I hope God will hear me and send the boat on which Edgar is coming to the bottom of the lake!"

"Miriam! Sister, you are crazed. Do you know what you are saying? That you are asking God to destroy the boat that is bringing your lover to you?"

"Yes, yes—that is what I mean. I would be glad if they came and told me that he had gone down, and I was free—free—free!"

Her voice rose to a patetic shriek that blended with the wailing wind and died out in a moan.

"Then it is true—I did not, would not, believe it! You did not love Edgar Ryerson, and you do love his friend, Walter Dickson?"

But Miriam turned away. "Sleep again, sister, I am sorry I disturbed you. My wedding day is dawning, and we shall soon know whether God has answered my prayer."

A brief line in the morning paper told the story. The boat had gone down in midlake with all on board.

Years had passed. Margaret had married a wealthy suitor, and Miriam spent part of her time with her, a pale, silent girl, absolutely devoid of interest in life. For whom was she mourning? She declared that it was not for Walter Dickson, that it was all a mistake that she had cared for him, save as a friend. Margaret, good and practical, was puzzled. Even her acute theology did not lead her to believe that God had answered the wild, blaspemous prayer of a crazed girl, but she laid her strange apathy to remorse over Edgar's death. And, loving the girl as she did, Margaret tried in every way to interest and amuse her. Miriam took part in these efforts, but without heart. Margaret never noticed the words of the little song so often on Miriam's lips:

"How could I know I would love thee afar
When I loved thee not anear?"

They would have meant nothing to Margaret, but they voiced the cry of Miriam's soul. She loved Edgar afar.

The family, including Miriam, was giving a house party before closing their summer home on the banks of the lake—that lake of fatal import, were Miriam found her thoughts going out day and night. As a closing entertainment some one suggested a masquerade and a fire of driftwood, as the evening was cool.

When the evening of the masquerade came, Miriam wore a mask and domino. On account of the temperature the driftwood fire was the first attraction. A Hindu uttered the prophecies, while others fed the flame.

"I see," he said oracularly, "a sinking steamer. Two men—comrades—are with others upon its deck."

"Oh, this is shameful—stop him," cried Margaret, but her husband whispered something, and she waited, edging near Miriam, who in her attitude might have been a statute.

"The friend is telling him a lie, but he believes it, and when they two are saved by a miracle of the waters, he goes with him and makes no sign. He believes that his love is faithless."

The flame shot up blue and green, and the Hindu looked about as if seeking inspiration.

"The false friend has just died. He told the truth at the last. But he was not altogether wrong. The woman they both had loved had not returned the love of either. I can read no further." The pretended Hindu turned away as a domino touched his arm.

"Edgar!"

"Miriam."

Joy never kills. The recuperative power it brings with it is phenomenal. —Mrs. M. L. Rayne, in Chicago Record-Herald.

PALM HOUSE PRODUCT.

Successful Effort with Rare Plant in Bronx Botanical Gardens.

In the large palm house at the conservatories of the Bronx Botanical Gardens they have brought to flower for the first time in the history of the glass-house culture of the plant an especially fine specimen of one of the rarest and most majestic of our American palms. This palm, which is now almost entirely extinct in its wild state, bears the name Pseudophoenix sargentii, and was first discovered botanically and described some years ago by Herr Wendland, a renowned student of palms, and at that time Director of the Herrenhausen Palm Garden at Hanover, Germany, while on a collecting expedition in Southern Florida.

This palm, which was found only on Elliott's Key, off the coast of Southern Florida, is the most graceful and beautiful of our American species. The trunk is of beautiful symmetry, and is crowned by a rounded mass of leaves of a rich green, which resemble those of the date palm. The leaves, which are somewhat stiff, have a clean-cut appearance, and when at full growth the tree attains a height of forty feet, although the specimen at the Botanical Gardens is only twenty feet high.

So far as is known this palm has never flowered before in any conservatory, and there is no other large specimen, outside of Florida, in cultivation in the world. Young plants grown from seed are in several of the more important European collections, and also in this country, but it will be many years before they attain flowering growth.

The specimen in the gardens was secured in the fall of 1901 by Head Gardener Nash, who visited Elliott's Key for the purpose of procuring a specimen. Owing to the clearing of the land for pineapple cultivation, however, the palms were well-nigh exterminated. He found one poor lone specimen in the centre of a pineapple field just about ready to give up the struggle for existence, and two other specimens in moderately good condition in use as shade trees about the residence of a plantation owner. Unable to procure a specimen here, he learned that before the devastation had been completed a number of large specimens of the palms had been taken to Miami on the mainland to be used on a private estate. Through the influence of a friend permission was secured to remove one of them for the Botanical Gardens. It proved a very difficult plant to transport, and it languished in a dormant condition for a year and a half in its new home before it sent forth its first leaf, but since that occurrence it has done very well, and the palm in flower, with its wealth of new leaves, is one of the most striking in the house. —New York Times.

The Electric Whip.

Science has outwitted the balky horse, according to horsemen who were present when a new electric "whip" was tested yesterday morning at the stockyards. The first test was made on a horse which the stable men had been unable to drive for a year. The effect of the "whip" was instantaneous, the horse being only too willing to travel. Other tests were equally successful.

The whip consists of small copper plates, let into each side of the horse's collar. From these a wire leads along the tongue of the vehicle to the wagon itself, where there is a small battery. All that is required to set the horse in motion is the pressure of a button.—Chicago Tribune.

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FEBRUARY JURYMEN.

Men Who Will Sit on Cases at the Next Regular Court of Quarter Session.

The two jury commissioners, Shultz and Hagenbuch, assisted by Sheriff Knorr, were busy on Monday, drawing from the wheel the jurymen for the February term of court. The list in full is as follows:

GRAND JURORS.

Harry B. Correll, Bloomsburg.
C. H. Dildine, Greenwood.
Emanuel Gilbert, Mt. Pleasant.
John Getty, Sugarloaf.
Andrew M. Girton, Montour.
Abijah Hess, Sugarloaf.
H. C. Hoaglan, Mifflin.
A. C. Hagenbuch, Centre.
David Jones, Conyngham.
John Johnston, Greenwood.
Frank Jones, Bloomsburg.
Francis H. Jones, Fishingcreek.
John Kirkendall, Mifflin.
B. F. Kashner, Pine.
J. P. Laubach, Sugarloaf.
H. G. Miller, Mifflin.
Wilson Rhodes, Locust.
John Shultz, Greenwood.
William Thomas, Bloom.
John M. Welsh, Orange Twp.
John Whitesides, Conyngham.
Benjamin E. Whitmoyer, Pine.
Charles M. Wenner, Fishingcreek.
D. F. Weiss, Bloomsburg.

TRAVERSE JURORS—First Week.

C. R. Bower, Briarcreek.
David Brady, Greenwood.
Milton H. Bitler, Pine.
A. B. Cathcart, Bloom.
J. S. Cole, Millville.
Philip Creasy, Mt. Pleasant.
O. W. Crawford, Bloom.
Ira Cherington, Roaringcreek.
John C. Cryder, Centre.
S. Dennison Cole, Benton Twp.
Amos W. Dreibelbis, Mt. Pleasant.
Orville Eves, Mt. Pleasant.
J. H. Eissnhower, Mifflin.
Frank Faust, Berwick.
Wesley Fleming, Montour.
Parvin Fritz, Fishingcreek.
Samuel Giger, Bloomsburg.
Abram Hartman, Madison.
W. H. Henrie, Bloom.
T. W. Hartman, Scott.
Boyd Henry, Scott.
Harry Hartman, Franklin.
William J. Haines, Centralia Boro.
William Harry, Berwick.
J. P. Hill, Sugarloaf.
Harry Hendershott, Madison.
W. E. Johnston, Montour.
Bruce Johnston, Berwick.
Mathias M. Kreamer, Greenwood.
Russel Keller, Jackson.
Charles E. Kester, Greenwood.
Harry Kindt, Mt. Pleasant.
Oscar Lowenberg, Bloom.
Harry Mellick, Mt. Pleasant.
Joseph Moser, Conyngham.
Miles W. Moss, Benton Twp.
John Miller, Jackson.
Robert Morris, Bloom.
G. B. Martin, Bloom.
M. W. McHenry, Stillwater.
O. D. McHenry, Stillwater.
James McBride, Montour.
John Oliver, Locust.
A. Clinton Parks, Sugarloaf.
Charles M. Quick, Bloom.
Virgil Robbins, Greenwood.
C. W. Runyan, Bloom.
William Roth, Montour.
Moses Savage, Jackson.
Stephen E. Steadman, Sugarloaf.
W. B. Snydor, Locust.
J. C. Shultz, Madison.
Ambrose H. Sharpless, Catawissa.
C. C. Trench, Bloomsburg.
J. B. Welliver, Millville.
Amos Wanich, Hemlock.
Charles Wagner, Locust.
Samuel Yost, Bloom.
Elmer C. Yeager, Locust.
R. R. Zarr, Bloom.

TRAVERSE JURORS—Second Week.

Galon R. Burd, Cleveland.
Charles D. Bankes, Catawissa Twp.
William A. Roberts, Jackson.
G. M. Bower, Briarcreek.
William D. Davis, Cleveland.
Charles Drumheller, Catawissa Twp.
Samuel Demott, Millville.
Joseph B. Edwards, Bloom.
Hiram G. Everitt, Mt. Pleasant.
V. P. Eves, Millville.
Elias Evans, Benton Twp.
J. H. Eck, Briarcreek.
Wilson Forbes, Sugarloaf.
Albert Girton, Madison.
W. Ellis Geiger, Montour.
Alfred Hess, Fishingcreek.
O. A. Henrie, Berwick.
Edward Jasper, Conyngham.
A. J. Kendig, Fishingcreek.
A. L. Kline, Catawissa Boro.
I K. Krickbaum, Benton Twp.
Rush Lutz, Mifflin.
Clarence M. Laubach, Sugarloaf.
W. M. Monroe, Montour.
Charles Mordan, Mt. Pleasant.
George W. Maust, Millville.
J. D. McHenry, Fishingcreek.
Harry W. Miller, Sugarloaf.
John Rank, Scott.
Roy Ralston, Bloom.
Wm. E. Sanders, Jackson.
Jacob Stein, Sugarloaf.
Mathias C. Whitenight, Hemlock.

Give Him a Tip.

The editor of the average country newspaper is not only generally willing but glad to print anything in the shape of news that he can get hold of, and the more he gets the better it suits him and his patrons. But he is neither omnipotent nor omnipresent. And yet people think they are intentionally slighted because he does not publish some items that do not come under his observation, but which he would cheerfully have published whether it concerned friend or enemy did he know it. The moral of the above is, when you know of anything that you think would make your paper more newsy and readable, just give your printer a tip and then see how quick he will jump for it.

Some Foolish People,

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. *Trial size free.* At all druggists. 12-17 4t

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COLLECTOR PENMAN'S VIEWS.

His Interpretation of Cigar Law Pleases the Dealers.

Revenue collector Penman of Scranton has interpreted the law of selling cigars from the boxes in a manner which will better please cigar dealers. He says: "There is no new law on the subject, but it appears the law existing for some time is evaded by parties exposing for sale cigars and tobacco not in the original package, having them in a box not stamped. If the boxes, properly stamped and branded, are in the show case, the box can be handed out when a customer calls for cigars and he can select from the box, or the dealer can reach in the box in the case and take a handful of cigars therefrom, place them on the case and let the customer select his cigar or cigars, then return the balance to the box in the case. The customer has a right to know that the box is properly stamped, and for that reason the better plan is to hand out the box.

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THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW,
Press Correspondent New York State Grange

OUR GROWING ORDER.

A Consistent Course on Most Great Questions.

During the past year there was a great growth of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry in nearly all parts of the country. New granges by the hundred were established. Many communities in which the subordinate granges had been left to die experienced a revival of grange interest and reorganized the defunct bodies, starting out with a good membership and with cheerful prospects for the future. Existing granges increased their membership, in some places doubling the number of active members. The national grange officials have furnished us no reports of granges that have gone down during the year, but probably the number is smaller than in foregone years. All the reports from national, Pomona and subordinate grange sources during the year ended Sept. 30 were cheering to a high degree. The order is already enormously influential in very many ways, local, county, state and national, and the great growth in membership of the past year will directly increase its influence.

The order, on the whole, has been held to a fairly consistent course on important questions affecting the country at large and its agricultural interests in particular. Here and there a weak spot or a wrong tendency is visible, but wise counsels will probably prevail in the end and save the order from the weakening effect of radical errors in judgment. The truth is that the Order of Patrons of Husbandry has now attained a magnitude and importance, a power and influence, that call for men of statesmanlike qualifications to guide it safely and to select the lines along which it applies its powers. The men intrusted with its destinies are called upon to exercise the highest wisdom in outlining its policies. The order is the one great national organization of farmers in the United States, and it should have the support of farmers in every nook and corner of the land.—New York Farmer.

STATE GRANGE MEETINGS.

Prepare Now to Make Them Interesting and Profitable.

The state grange sessions will be held soon. If subordinate or Pomona granges have any resolutions to present to the state grange prepare them carefully and instruct your delegates as to your wishes thereon. There are only a few days of the state grange, and business is pressing. There is no time then to get a lot of undigested matter in shape. Upon questions of importance let there be careful attention given by delegates that they may be able to vote intelligently and to take part in the discussions of measures, if wise or necessary. The questions of sufficient importance to engage the time of the state grange are, or should be, known in every grange and a careful study of the matter made that the delegate may be wisely instructed.

Occasionally a delegate goes to the state grange thoroughly unprepared to vote intelligently. He looks about helplessly to see how others are voting. Perchance some one has spoken forcefully to another question and thereby won the admiration of our uninformed friend. No matter whether he is right on this question or not or whether or not he is thoroughly informed, the ignorant voter votes as he does. Fortunately such cases are rare.

The resolutions of the state grange reflect the sentiment of the best class of farmers, and public men and economists look to them as the key to public opinion. They compare the resolutions year by year and are quick to detect any change. Let all the resolutions be carefully worded and worthy of a great and powerful body of men and women who speak for the millions of farmers, whether organized or unorganized.—Farm and Fireside.

Nature Study In Public Schools.

The grange everywhere is interested in the advancement of the public schools. The latest evidence of it is in the state of Oregon. The Oregon state grange has heartily indorsed the introduction of nature study in country schools. Last year a teacher in one of the public schools of a Portland suburb led her scholars in excursions to the woods and fields near by to study plants and insects there. This is the first time such a method of nature study has been taken up in this state, and so interesting and successful was it that many of the country schools will take it up this fall.

Grange Fairs.

It is notable how many grange agricultural fairs there have been held the past autumn as well as indoor agricultural and horticultural exhibitions. This is a good sign. It means that the grange is doing something and is being more and more helpful to all farmers, whether members of the order or not. There is also in these exhibitions an incentive to better agriculture.

Schools of Instruction.

Some state granges do not make enough of the "schools of instruction" for the correct performance of the degree work. At least once a year some competent official should hold a school of instruction in each county.

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THE FARM GIRL

A Large Variety of Occupations Open to Her.

Should Select One that is Suited to Her Neighborhood.

In a symposium in the Wisconsin Farmer on the possibilities of a farmer's daughter enjoying an income, and yet living at home, there are many suggestions offered. We quote extracts from some of the letters:

"A little canvassing for various articles will aid and is usually attended with good profits, providing the person has the grit and will carefully study the business."

"My daughters raise sage, onion sets, garden seeds and poultry, all of which give the girls out door exercise, which gives them health and rosy cheeks."

"The parents might give the daughter a certain per cent. of the profits for caring for the milk from a number of cows, and dairy products are always in demand."

"One who has an eye for the beautiful, joined to an idea of the eternal fitness of things and a lit le tact, could retrim hats, furnishing her own materials."

"Tomatoes, string beans and catsup can be put up in cans and bottles, which will always find ready sale. The girls who do plain sewing are generally well compensated."

"There are busy housekeepers in the country that would be too glad to know of some girl of a neighbor who would come in and help them in an emergency, like unexpected company, illness, etc., paying them well."

"On a farm a girl can very profitably engage her time, after assisting with the household duties, by cultivating a patch of berries which will bring a fair price in the market. A patch of beans or onions is a very profitable crop."

"Our oldest girl takes most of the care of an apiary of fifty or sixty swarms of bees, spring count. She owns five-seventeenths of the bees now, having purchased the same with money earned by caring for them a few years ago on shares."

"Running a farm is an excellent occupation for girls and is no disgrace. It is honorable, healthy and good in every way. They can run father's farm the same as the brothers do, with equal honor, propriety, health and income, and thus become independent of others for support."

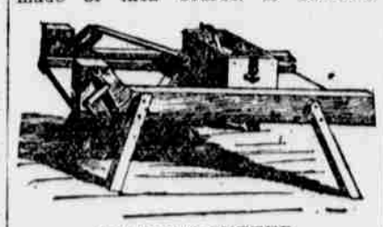
"There is a great opening for the girls on the farm in the line of dressmaking. If some of our farmers' daughters would start in that business they would in a short time (if thoroughly competent) get all the work they could do, and it would be more remunerative than school teaching, or any other work that girls usually do when employed away from home."

"But, girls, whatever you do if you wish to make a success of your undertaking you must learn to do your work neatly and well."

These suggest a variety of occupations, and almost any girl who wishes to earn her own spending money, or lay up a snug little sum for future needs, should be able to select one that is suited to her own neighborhood and herself.

Home-Made Cabbage Cutter.

We depict herewith a very useful cabbage-cutter. It has a frame made of maple or other fine-grained wood, an inch and a quarter thick. The bottom is four feet long and one foot wide. The sides are the same in length and four inches wide. At one end pieces shaped has shown in the engraving, four inches wide and four inches long on top, sloping to twelve inches, are firmly attached. One inch above the bottom are grooves half an inch deep and the same in width, extending the entire length of each. Above the centre of the bottom a hole is cut, three inches square, in which three knives are set diagonally and nearly flatwise, the edge being slightly higher than the backs. The cutting-box is twelve inches square and ten inches deep, made of inch boards. A half-inch



CABBAGE CUTTER.

cleat of fine, hardwood is screwed to each side, a little less than an inch from the bottom. These cleats run freely in the grooves at the sides. A round hole ten inches in diameter is cut in the bottom of the box. The motion is imparted to the box by a crank upon which plays a pitman, hinged to the box has shown above. The cover fits down snugly into the box, and is held in place by a strap of iron, bent as shown in the engraving, and provided at the ends with knobs of india-rubber which press upon the outside of the box, holding the cover down. The cabbage or roots to be cut are placed in the box, the cover pressed down upon them, and then, by the revolutions of the crank shaft, the box plays back and forth over the diagonal knives. The latter may be set to cut more or less rapidly, as desired.

Pig-pens which stand high on posts, with an open space beneath the floor, are cold places in winter, despite straw bedding. It saves feed and adds to the health and comfort of the pigs to "bank up" such pens or otherwise keep the winds from whistling under them and through the floors.

Sheep should always be provided with salt. It aids digestion and prevents disease.

POPE'S UNFORTUNATE NAME.

Those Who Have Been Called Pius Had Troubled Lives.

The new Pope, in deciding to be known as Pius, has assumed a name which has anything but a fortunate record in the history of the Papacy. The first Pius, who ruled in the second century, was martyred. No Pope took the name again for 1,200 years. The second Pius was somewhat of an adventurer in his lay days, and was poet laureate at Vienna. On becoming Pope, Pius III., ruled for a few days in 1503, and is said to have died from poison. Pius IV. and V. followed each other in the middle of the sixteenth century, and it was the latter who, with the use of abominable language, excommunicated Queen Elizabeth.

The name of Pius was not again heard of until the close of the eighteenth century. Pius VI. ruled in Rome when the storm of the French revolution burst. Bonaparte drove him from his city and ordered the Papacy to be abolished. The aged Pope was treated with indignity, his private property was confiscated, and he died in exile at Valence in 1799.

His successor also took the name of Pius when he was elected at Venice, the conclave being under the protection of Russia. It suited Napolean's purpose to recognize the temporal power of Pius VII., and the Pope came to Paris to crown Napoleon. But in 1809 Napoleon again abolished the temporal power, and deposed Pius, who was not restored till 1814.

The next Pope but one was Pius VIII., and he had an uneventful reign from 1829 to 1831. Another Pope now intervened, and Pius IX. was elected in 1840. With him the misfortunes that seemed to attend the name culminated in the total abolition of the temporal power.—London Paper.

PUSS IN THE LION'S DEN.

The Little Cat Insisted on Being Friends with Her Big Cousin.

Tiny, a pet cat at Glen Island, was seen one morning mewing piteously under a cage containing a large lion. She had been injured and hopped about on three legs. For comfort, or perhaps companionship, she crawled into the lion's cage and began to make herself at home. The lion opened his eyes wide with wonder at the presumption, then for a time paid no more attention to her than if she had been a fly.

A keeper took a long-handled broom and tried to shove her out of the cage. The lion snarled and his eyes shone wickedly. Tiny started toward the lion, when the big cat threw out his paw to push her away. Taking the lion's act only in play, she was up in a second, and clasping the huge paw between her tiny forefeet she began to lick it affectionately. From that moment the injured kitten and the lion were friends.

She afterward took a shine to the polar bear and crawled between the bars of the den, but the bear looked at her askance and then climbed up the rocks in the rear of the den, where it was safe.

The only cage that puss keeps away from is occupied by a black monkey, which thrust its paw out and clutched the end of Tiny's tail and bit it.—New York Mail and Express.

Correcting History.

Recently the Emporia Gazette attributed to the late Joe Ady the statement about Senator Burton that, "I would rather have that fellow's nerve than a license to steal."

It was Baker's luck and not Burton's nerve that the late Joe Ady valued above a license to steal. It was the occasion of the Senatorial caucus in 1895. Ady, Burton, Hood, Thatcher and others had sought the Republican nomination but had sought in vain. Baker had not sought the place, but the toga had fallen upon his shoulders. After the die had been cast and the contest ended the various candidates were called before the caucus and made to dive down into deep floods of disappointment and remorse and bring up from the pebbly bottom expressions of loyalty to the principles of the party, satisfaction as to the result and congratulations for the chosen champion. It was then that the brilliant, clean and worthy Joe Ady said: "I would rather have his (Baker's) luck than a license to steal."

It was on that occasion that Burton hinted at the blots upon his past career that had made his defeat possible and said: "When will the statute of limitations apply?"

Consumption had already made deep marks upon poor Joe Ady, and he went to Colorado to linger a few years and to die.

Six years later the "statute of limitations had applied," and Burton was elected to the United States Senate. Baker served in the Senate for six years, but was hardly big enough to stand alone in such a high place and gracefully retired when he found he could not be re-elected, Judge Thather is dead. Hood is enjoying his great wealth and retirement.—Dalton Tribune.

Butterfly Farms.

There are a number of butterfly farms in France, where the object is to breed rare specimens of the silkworm family. Several new varieties have been obtained by crossing, and an effort is being made to acclimatize species that belong to other countries. The farms have oak, ailanthus, pine, and plum trees, and castor-oil plants, on the leaves of which the caterpillars feed. Cocoons are hatched on branches protected by gauze and, for the sake of uniform temperature, the insects are often kept in a room until after the first moulting, when they are placed on bushes in the open air and protected from birds by coverings of tulle.

GRANGE NEWS.

By J. T. Ailman, Press Correspondent and Secretary Penn'a State Grange.

Lenox Grange, No. 931, Susquehanna county, is alive as usual having initiated something over 20 condidates the present year with a fair prospect for more in the near future. The fore part of the year we had a spelling match which created considerable amusement. The third Saturday in June we observed as children's day. The children furnished the entertainment, after which they were served with ice cream, cake, bananas and oranges. The following Sunday was observed as memorial day, in memory of our departed members Sister Gertrude Nichols and Bro. James Casey. At our next meeting, Nov. 22, we expect to have a debate and the meeting following, Dec. 5th, we will have an annual dinner, to which grangers and their families can attend. The trustees have purchased the old hotel at Glenwood, which will be designated as a grange hall. The hotel contains a ball room, so it can easily be arranged to meet the requirements of the grange, We expect to occupy our new hall the first of the year.

Mrs. E. L. Coil, Sec'y.

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To study the origin, composition and especially the possibilities of a shovel full of ground requires no less application and brings into exercise all the powers of the mind as fully as does the study of mathematics, classic or philosophy. Plants and animals furnish a still wider field for thought and investigation. The successful farmers are engaged in this kind of work and the grange is doing much to make intellectual efforts popular with the agricultural class.

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You will notice the increase in membership from Dec. 1902, a membership of 36 to Sept. 1903, increased to 74. During this quarter we have already initiated 5 and have proposals in for next meeting for 14 and some few for reinstatement. I think by the end of the year we will reach our 100 mark. We have purchased the Baptist church property for a grange hall and are now putting it in repairs. If all goes right I think we will not only have a grange hall of our own but will build in addition a town hall.

John T. Patton, Sec'y.
Warriors Mark Grange No. 864,
Huntingdon county.

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Oxford grange, No. 67, Chester county, held its regular semi-monthly meeting on Sept. 18th, and as usual was well attended; the number of members present, 30, and they showed the same interest and enthusiasm that is destined to place No. 67 among the active granges of the state. At the meeting besides the routine business the grange decided to install an exhibit at the Oxford Fair which was held on the 23rd, 24th and 25th of September. The exhibits were the products of the home garden and orchard and we can say we received first premium. It is also worthy of note that several premium winners of the fair are numbered among the active members of the grange.

Mary Millar Fisher

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L. W. Howden, of Corryville, McKean county, writes; "I have been out nearly all night for two nights attending grange meetings. Tuesday night at Turtle Point, where they gave the 3rd and 4th degrees to 16 candidates and last night at Eldred, where they conferred the 1st and 2nd degrees upon a class of 12. To-night is grange night here at Corryville. Four candidates are ready. Last Saturday Port Allegheny took in 11 and will have 3 or 4 at next meeting. I think the county is good for at least 50 new members this month. I expect to get some more new granges soon.

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By the initiative and referendum or direct legislation can the true spirit of our institutions be maintained and a government of the people by the people and for the people be secured.

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The late session of the National Grange at Rochester, New York passed resolutions in favor of woman suffrage.

Prof. S. H. Bailey, dean of the agricultural college, of Cornell University, during an address at the recent Rochester National Grange meeting, paid this excellent tribute to the order; "I am a member of a number of organizations; but if I could be in and work for one only, it would be the grange."

WANTS TEACHERS BETTER PAID.

State Superintendent Schaeffer Thinks Salaries are Too Low to Assure Best Results.

Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, superintendent of public instruction, has completed his annual report to the legislature, giving in detail the work done during the last year in his department.

The report shows that the number of male teachers is steadily decreasing throughout the state, while the number of female teachers is on the increase. During the past year 342 male teachers dropped from the ranks, while there was an accession of 1151 female teachers. Male teachers had their salaries increased $1.81 per month, while the salaries of the female teachers were only increased 75 cents. The total increase in teachers' wages was $720,619.69.

The number of schools was increased by 718, and the increase in the number of graded schools was 1348. The increased cost of building, purchasing and renting was $366,957.63 and of the cost of fuel, contingencies, debts and interest paid, $198,768.25.

Schools have made great progress in the advance of teachers' salaries, the enforcement of the compulsory attendance law, in the number of township high schools established, in the proficiency of the teachers, the benefits of county institutes and the establishment of kinder-gartens and manual training schools.

Dr. Schaeffer refers to the increase in the cost of living and to the fact that teachers' salaries have not increased accordingly and says:

"This means that teachers are worse off now in the day of our national prosperity than they were when everybody was complaining of hard times. Teachers seldom go on strike. In other vocations unions of labor and capital have been fighting to secure shorter hours, better wages and larger profits. Who has ever heard of a union of women organized for the purpose of securing for themselves better wages in the labor markets of the world? Women organize to promote temperance, to avert social evils, to care for children, for the sick and for the needy; they combine in a thousand ways to aid benevolent operations of all sorts, but it is marvelous beyond finding out that they have never organized to better the conditions of those who devote their lives to teaching."

The compulsory school law is also treated at length by Dr. Schaeffer. He cites Middletown, Lebanon and Chambersburg as examples of places where the operation of the law has demonstrated its efficiency and justified all that was claimed for the law before its passage.

Lids Must Be On Cigar Boxes.

Revenue Collector H. L. Hersley has received notice of a ruling of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue relative to the practice of many cigar dealers in removing the lids of cigar boxes in order to display the goods in show cases, the lids, however, being placed under the boxes. The Commissioner rules that to divide the lid from the box is illegal, as it requires a whole stamp to protect a box.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcreek Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the hall of Centre Grange, No. 56, P. of H., on Tuesday, January 12th, 1904, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., for the election of twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
12-10 5t H. H. BROWN, Secretary.

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of Pennsylvania on Thursday, the seventh day of January, A. D. 1904, by Ross W. Burrows, J. J. Robinson, John Coleman, S. C. Creasy, T. E. Hyde, all residents of the State of Pennsylvania, under the Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of Certain Corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the several supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called Bloomsburg Lumber and Manufacturing Company, the character and object of which is the buying and selling and manufacturing and dealing in lumber and articles made of wood and iron and other metals and materials, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and the several supplements thereto.
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1903.

Court Proceedings.

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separate and solitary confinement in the Eastern Penitentiary.

Sentence in the case of Ida Swank, who pleaded to three indictments of larceny, was suspended. She was in tears when she faced the court and her sobs could be heard in all parts of the room.

James Hummel, who pleaded guilty to stealing chickens, was severely reprimanded and sentenced to pay a fine of $50, costs of prosecution and six months in the county jail.

SECOND WEEK.

The second week of court opened at ten o'clock on Monday. There was a marked difference in the attendance from that of the previous week when at several of the sessions, all the seats were occupied. At no time during this week, has there been more than half the number that was present during the trial of the criminal cases, though several important actions have been disposed of.

The list of jurors was called, and T. H. Doan of Berwick, and Joseph Crawford were excused, the former because of the press of business which required his attention and the latter on account of old age, he being eighty-six years old. On account of the illness of B. Frank Zarr, one of the attorneys, the case of Alfred H. Yetter, George Yetter and Jeremiah Longenberger, ejectment, was continued.

Petition of Howard Moharter for appointment of guardian ad litem. James L. Evans appointed.

Application for a charter of Zwingli Reformed Church, of Berwick, presented by C. C. Evans, Esq. Granted.

Petition of Overseers of the Poor of Berwick Poor District for appointment of trustee for the fund of $1,000 left for the poor of said district by John E. Fowler, deceased, to succeed William B. Freas, resigned. Berwick Savings and Trust Company appointed trustee.

Petition of Adam Clayberger, Coustable of Berwick Borough, to be relieved of his duties because he has become Chief of Police. Granted.

Alex. C. Jackson, Esq., asked for appointment of auditor in the estate of Anna M. Freas, deceased.

By agreement of counsel in the case of Mary E. Mitchell, administratrix, vs. Sylvester Shultz, on motion of L. C. Mensch, Esq., attorney for plaintiff, Col John G. Freeze, was appointed master to make his report at next term of Court.

Motion in estate of I. K. Laubach, by S. B. Karns, Esq., for appointment of auditor.

Report of sale of real estate of Adam Marks, deceased, late of Cleveland township, confirmed nisi.

Judgment in open Court, Adam Marks vs. James Kostenbauder, was granted to C. H. Marks, no affidavit of defense having been filed.

The leading case of the week, was that of John Klingerman, of Beaver township, against the Phila. & Reading Railroad Company. It was an action brought to recover damages for the destruction of a lot of timber, caused by sparks from the defendant Company's locomotives. The fire occurred on April 22, last, and started on land adjoining that of the plaintiff, and owned by one Mr. Tritt. It was early in the afternoon when he first observed the fire, and notwithstanding he fought it hard till the next morning, it raged fiercely and destroyed before it could be extinguished, sixty acres of young oak, chestnut and white pine timber, little of which had ever been cut. The plaintiff stated, that nearly every evening, a person standing on the porch at his house could see locomotives emiting sparks. He had frequently seen them. He figured the damage was about $30 per acre. Here there was a tilt between the lawyers, Judge Hinckley for the plaintiff and Judge Herring and W. H. Rhawn for the defendant. The question, however, that if a motion by Judge Hinckley, to have the plaintiff's declaration changed so as to read about one hundred and seventy acres instead of about sixty acres, was settled by allowing an amendment, and the witness proceeded to enumerate the other losses resultant from the fire, which included some 390 panels of rail fence, about 1500 rails, worth $20 a thousand, grain and grass to the value of about $50, six fruit bearing chestnut trees, worth $120, an apple and a cherry tree, both fruit bearing, valued at $10, and $6 respectively.

After cross examination, Nathan Houck who lives about three quarters of a mile from the plaintiff took the stand. He saw the fire shortly after it started. There was a strong wind blowing and the fire was moving rapidly toward Klingerman's land, though it had not reached there yet when he was watching it. He had often seen engines emitting sparks, which after night looked to be about the size of the fist.

Adam Tritt, of Beaver, testified to having seen the fire. It started about fifty feet from the railroad tracks.

Henry Swank and William McQuay, both of Beaver, were the last witnesses called by plaintiff, after which Mr. Rhawn moved for a compulsory non-suit on the grounds that the cause of the fire as stated in plaintiff's declaration and shown by the evidence was the remote and not the approximate cause of the damage, and that it is impossible to prevent the escape of sparks from the engines, and that there is no evidence of negligence. The points were argued at length, and the motion overruled by the Court.

The Railway Co's. side of the case was outlined by Mr. Rhawn.

The first witness called was H. E. Clark, an engineer. He was on a train running past the damaged land on day in question. His engine is fitted with a spark arrester, but its use, owing to the heavy grade there, does not prevent the emission of some sparks. Other witnesses called were John Thomas of Catawissa, an engineer, Robert Hood, a machinist of Tamaqua, H. V. Harner, William Steeley, Isaac Steeley, Fred Hummel, B. R. Yetter, C. B. Noetling and Daniel Derr.

The testimony of Fred Hummer was that he had lumbered on the Klingerman tract about seven years ago. There were fifty or sixty acres. After he had finished, he considered the tract as sprout land, which would eventually become timbered again. Judge Hinckley cross-examined the witness and brought out the fact that the Railway Co, had him go to the land and set a value to it.

B. R. Yetter did not think that the fire had hurt, to any extent, the timber left by Hummel.

The closing addresses to the jury were made by Judge Herring and Judge Hinckley. The Court was brief in its charge and the case went to the jury yesterday morning.

The jury came in yesterday afternoon with a verdict of $798.50 for Klingerman. The amount of damages claimed was $1500. Immediately after the verdict was read Mr. Rhawn, counsel for the Railway Co, filed a reason for a new trial. If refused the case will be taken to the Supreme Court.

Road in Sugarloaf township, near county bridge over Cole's Creek. Petition for reviewers. H. H. Hulme, A. T. Ikeler and G. W. Hirleman appointed reviewers.

In re petition to vacate and relay road in Conyngham township. Warren Eyer, Martin Billig and Charles Longenberger appointed viewers.

Mary A. Creveling vs. the Susquehanna, Bloomsburg and Berwick Railroad Company. Petition to assess damage. Joseph Hartzel, J. C. Mensinger, W. B. Fisher, Chas. Richart, F. T. Grover, Wm. Kramer and A. J. Briggs appointed viewers.

Report against road in Fishing Creek township near Samuel Whiteniget's confirmed nisi on Dec. 7, 1903

Report of inspectors for bridge in Jackson township near Nelson Boudman's confirmed nisi.

Petition of citizens of Madison township asking for appointment of viewers to lay out a new road in said township near Wilson Kitchen's. Boyd Trescott, Lloyd Yeager and Bigler Eyer appointed viewers.

Petition of citizens of Pine township to have a portion of a public road near Joseph Shultz's in said township, vacated, and asking for viewers. Boyd Trescott, Eli Welliver and G. M. Ikeler appointed viewers.

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DEATH OF PHINEAS DEILY.

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JAMES C. BROWN,
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Lesson in the International Series for December 20, 1903—Queen of Sheba's Visit to Solomon.

THE LESSON TEXT.
(I Kings 10:1-10.)

1. And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the Lord, she came to prove him with hard questions.

2. And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

3. And Solomon told her all her questions: there was not anything hid from the king, which he told her not.

4. And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he had built,

5. And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the Lord; there was no more spirit in her.

6. And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom.

7. Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

8. Happy are thy men, happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom.

9. Blessed be the Lord thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because the Lord loved Israel for ever, therefore made He thee king, to do judgment and justice.

10. And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon.

GOLDEN TEXT.—When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice.—Prov. 29:2.

OUTLINE OF SCRIPTURE SECTION.

Solomon's Second Vision.....1 Kings 9:1-9.
Solomon's Enterprises.....1 Kings 9:10-28.
The Queen's Errand.....1 Kings 10:1-3
The Queen's Acknowledgment.....
.....1 Kings 10:4-9.
The Queen's Gifts.....1 Kings 10:10.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The last lesson was on the building and dedication of the temple. This temple was but a part of a magnificent series of buildings which Solomon built at his court of Jerusalem. The vision with which the lesson to-day opens seems to have come to him at the close of his building operations.

(1 Kings 9:1-9.) This vision came to Solomon at the height of his glory, at a time when he desperately needed the reminder and caution it gave him. Unlimited wealth and power and time for self-indulgences expose anyone to terrible temptations. Instead of lamenting that we have not their opportunities we should be thankful that we are spared their temptations. Solomon, with all his intellectual keenness, made a wretched failure of life in the end, because he did not resist these temptations. The historian is careful to impress us with the fact that he did not fall without repeated warnings, such as this vision gave him. The choice of life or death is set before king and poor man alike. Each one may freely choose his way, "but walking in that way he must receive that to which the way leads."—F. N. Peloubet.

(Vs. 10-28.) The material development of the kingdom under Solomon is simply marvelous when we remember that the disorganized period of the judges had been past hardly a hundred years. Besides the building and fortifying of a great many cities, and the providing of a fine water supply system for Jerusalem, Solomon developed a large foreign commerce.

(Ch. 10:1-3.) "The queen of Sheba:" Sheba (or Saba) was in the southwestern corner of Arabia on the Red sea. Coins and many important inscriptions have recently been discovered there. This kingdom was wealthy and already ancient in Solomon's day. Various references in the Old Testament show that the Sabaeans were exporters of gold, precious stones and perfumes. "Concerning the name of Jehovah:" Solomon's fame rested quite largely on his temple building. "Came to prove him:" Or test him with puzzling catch-questions, riddles, etc., a kind of display wisdom that is greatly admired by orientals. "A very great train:" An eastern caravan. "Spices:" These were royal gifts among oriental nations because of their costliness. Arabia is noted for its spices. "Not anything hid from the king:" He knew everything she asked him and more. Much of his wisdom was of a shrewd, practical order and much of it was knowledge of plants and animals.

(Vs. 4-9.) "When the queen had seen all:" The palace and temple, the magnificence of the whole court, the administration of the king's household, etc., and above all King Solomon himself. "The sitting of his servants:" The officers and courtiers who sat at the king's table. "Ascent:" The great marble stairway from the palace up to the temple. "There was no more spirit in her:" She was completely overcome by what she had seen. She had never dreamed of such wonders as she now saw all about her. It "took her breath away." "Blessed be Jehovah:" Recognition of Jehovah's greatness, but not an indication that she abandoned the god of her fathers to follow the God of Israel. Gods were supposed in those days to be gods of particular localities and nations.

(Vs. 10.) As verse 13 shows, there was an interchange of gifts, and Solomon probably gave the queen an amount at least equal to what she brought him. This was the custom and is still the custom in many parts of the east to-day.

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